# MINUTES 13<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF 2017 THE ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMISSION 2 OCTOBER 2017

# CONFERENCE ROOM, COMMISSIONS SECRETARIAT

#### COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sophia Harris

Acting Chairman

Kadi Pentney

Member

Timothy Ridley

Member (by phone)

**APOLOGIES:** N/A

### SECRETARIAT MEMBERS PRESENT:

Deborah Bodden

Manager

## 1. Meeting called to Order

The teleconference meeting was called to order at 11:05am.

# 2. Appointment of Acting Chairman

It is noted that the Chairman is not in attendance at this telephone conference as he has previously recused himself from the matter. He will continue to not receive any documentation related to the complaint/report nor will he participate in any discussions or decision making related to the matter.

Members agreed that Sophia Harris would continue to act as Chairman for the purposes of this meeting and in the handling of the report/complaint to be discussed.

#### 3. Conflicts of Interest

No initial conflicts of interest were declared at this meeting by any Member.

#### 4. Operational Update

#### **Existing Corruption Reports**

The Commission continued to consider one specific complaint where action was required. Following receipt of the requested legal advice from the DPP's office, Members agreed that the complaint/report does not give rise to a reasonable suspicion on the part of the Commission that a criminal offence under the Anti-Corruption Law has been committed. The Commission will, however, contact the relevant public authority (copied to the Auditor

General) to respectfully suggest that appropriate policies and procedures should be adopted and published as it relates to this matter. Such recommendations are being made, the Commission believes, to encourage transparency and consistency in the exercise of a broad discretion.

5. Adjournment

The teleconference meeting was adjourned at 11:33am

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ACTING CHAIRMAN

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