

MINUTES
7th MEETING OF 2017
THE ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMISSION
23 MAY 2017
CONFERENCE ROOM, COMMISSIONS SECRETARIAT

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Richard Coles	Chairman
W. Norman Bodden	Member
Kadi Pentney	Member
Timothy Ridley	Member

APOLOGIES: Sophia Harris

SECRETARIAT MEMBERS PRESENT:

Richard Oliver Senior Investigator

1. Meeting called to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:30am.

- ## 2. Conflicts of Interest

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

- ### 3. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of 27 March and 13 April 2017 were confirmed.

- #### 4. Operational Update

a. New Corruption Reports

The Commission received a summary along with all supporting documents, in accordance with the current Reporting/Complaints Procedure, of one new matter which has been received by the Manager and which has been recorded as a report/complaint that is being considered. Members will review the matter, which is not considered urgent, for discussion at the next meeting.

b. Existing Corruption Reports

The Commission received a verbal update from the Senior Investigator on the 8 active investigations. For reasons of security specific details such as names, locations, dates, etc. are included in a separate confidential schedule.

The Commission was informed that since inception (1st Jan. 2010) there have been 140 reports registered by the Commission, of which:

- a. 1 was refused on the basis that there was no prima facie evidence of a breach of the Law;
- b. 1 was refused on the basis that the alleged matter occurred before the Law came into force;
- c. 1 has been received and is being considered for evidence as to whether it discloses a potential offence under the Law and/or a related offence;
- d. 7 are 'pending' awaiting further or sufficient information which may make it appropriate to make further investigations;
- e. 112 have been concluded;
- f. 10 have been transferred to other investigative units for action; and
- g. 8 are under current active investigation.

5. Outstanding Business

a. Regional and International ACC Bodies

The Secretariat has researched and provided information on Anti-Corruption bodies with similar investigatory powers both within and outside the region.

6. New Business

a. Meeting with CPA BIMR Election Observation Mission to Cayman Islands

Following discussions with the Deputy Head of International Outreach with the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association British Islands and Mediterranean Region Branch of the Elections Observation Mission, the Manager has arranged a meeting between the Mission and the Chairman of both this Commission as well as the Commission for Standards in Public Life. The meeting will be held immediately following this Commission meeting.

7. Any Other Business

a. Protective Gear

The Chairman enquired as to the provision of protective gear for Investigators. Secretariat will follow up on this.

b. MOU'S

- i. The MOU with the FRA has now been agreed and signed.
- ii. The MMOU as requested by CIMA has now been re-submitted as an MOU and will be considered by the Commission

c. New Staff

The Commission was updated on the recruitment process for the three new posts of Investigator. Members discussed how those new staff would be utilised and follow-up discussions will take place.

d. Election Related Allegations

The Commission confirmed that any Reports received in relation to the upcoming General Election 2017 will be considered in line with the Reporting/Complaints Procedure.

e. Cayman Islands Mutual Evaluation Pre-Assessment Training

The Commission has now received a copy of the updated agenda for the training to be held 28-30 June 2017. The Commission will discuss whether any Member should be in attendance.

8. Action Items

- i. The Secretariat will follow-up on the provision of protective gear.
- ii. The Secretariat was asked to make contact with certain of the overseas Anti-Corruption bodies

9. Items to be Discussed at the Next Meeting

- a. Operational Update

10. Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting is 29 June 2017 at 9:30am.

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15pm



Richard Coles
CHAIRMAN

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