

MINUTES
9th MEETING OF 2018
THE ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMISSION
7 SEPTEMBER 2018
CONFERENCE ROOM, COMMISSIONS SECRETARIAT

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Richard Coles	Chairman
Kentrick Hall	Member
Sophia Harris	Member
Kadi Pentney	Member
Timothy Ridley	Member

APOLOGIES: N/A

SECRETARIAT MEMBERS PRESENT:

Deborah Bodden	Manager
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 14 and 26 June 2018 were confirmed as presented.
- 4. Renewal of Members' Terms**
It was noted that the Chairman and Member Tim Ridley were re-appointed by His Excellency the Acting Governor for an additional two year term.
- 5. Operational Update**
 - a. New Corruption Reports/Complaints**
The Commission received a summary of two new Reports which have been received by the Manager. Neither of these reports were accepted as they did not give rise to a reasonable suspicion on the part of the Commission that a criminal offence or an attempt to commit an offence or a conspiracy to commit an offence under the Anti-Corruption Law ("ACL") had been committed (see Sec 4 (1)(c) of the ACL). In addition, Members reviewed additional

information submitted by a complainant in a matter which has since been closed. The Commission agreed that this matter would not be accepted as it still does not give rise to a reasonable suspicion on the part of the Commission that a criminal offence or an attempt to commit an offence or a conspiracy to commit an offence under the Anti-Corruption Law ("ACL") had been committed (see Sec 4 (1)(c) of the ACL).

b. Existing Corruption Reports/Complaints

The Commission received a written and a verbal update from the Senior Investigator on the 14 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 162 reports registered by the Commission, of which:

- a. 7 are 'pending' awaiting further or sufficient information which may make it appropriate to make further investigations;
- b. 115 have been concluded;
- c. 16 have not met the threshold or fallen under the remit of the Commission;
- d. 10 have been transferred to other investigative units for action; and
- e. 14 are now under current active investigation.

6. Any Other Business

a. ACL Amendments

Members agreed to meet on 11 October 2018 to discuss potential recommended amendments to the ACL.

b. Anti-Corruption Commission Annual Report

The Draft 2017-2018 Report will be forwarded to the Chairman for his initial review by 10 September 2018.

c. Performance Audit

The Auditor General's Office has submitted an additional request for information as it relates to their ongoing Corruption Prevention Performance Audit. The Manager will assist as possible by the end of September 2018.

7. Action Items

The Secretariat will:

- a. assist with the drafting of correspondence in the matters outlined above as appropriate; and
- b. provide members of potential recommended amendments to the ACL to the Members for review prior to the next meeting.

8. **Items to be Discussed at the Next Meetings**

- a. Potential recommended amendments to the ACL
- b. Operational Update

9. **Next Meeting**

The dates of the next meetings are 11 October 2018 at 10a and 14 November 2018 at 9:30am.

10. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:45pm.



Richard Coles
CHAIRMAN
ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMISSION