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Dear Deputy [REDACTED]

Thank you for your letter of 26 January 2010, regarding a group of Guernsey Deputies with an interest in discussing co-operation between our islands including waste import. As the Chief Minister is in Washington this week, I am replying on his behalf.

The Council of Ministers are committed to improving the co-operation between our two Islands. Senator Paul Routier, Assistant Chief Minister, is leading discussions for Jersey within the group constituted by the Guernsey Policy Council and led by Deputy [REDACTED], Minister for Commerce & Employment.

We believe that discussions about greater co-operation between our islands, including on waste disposal, would be best conducted through these arrangements. I am sure that Connétable Mike Jackson, Transport & Technical Services Minister, would be pleased to engage in constructive discussion with your Minister should that be considered appropriate, under the aegis of this group. Should such discussions lead to an agreement on greater co-operation, then our Council of Ministers would expect to receive a report setting out the proposal and the full implications. This would allow us to thoroughly evaluate the options as part of the decision making process.

I hope you are assured of our commitment to cooperation between our islands, and to the group established for this purpose, and understand our desire for each development to be based on a sound business case that demonstrates the overall benefits to each island.

Yours sincerely

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