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COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

(56th Meeting)

(Business conducted by electronic mail)1st April 2020**PART A (Non-Exempt)**

All members were present, with the exception of Senator J.A.N Le Fondré, Chief Minister, Senator S.Y. Mézec, Minister for Children and Housing, Senator T.A. Vallois, Minister for Education, Deputy K.C. Lewis of St. Saviour, Minister for Infrastructure, Deputy C.F. Labey of Grouville, Minister for International Development and Deputy S.J. Pinel of St. Clement, Minister for Treasury and Resources, from whom apologies had been received.

Senator L.J. Farnham, Deputy Chief Minister and Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture
 Senator I.J. Gorst, Minister for External Relations
 Deputy R.J. Renouf of St. Ouen, Minister for Health and Social Services
 Connétable L. Norman of St. Clement, Minister for Home Affairs
 Deputy J. H. Young of St. Brelade, Minister for the Environment
 Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier, Minister for Social Security

In attendance -

P. Bradbury, Head of Ministerial Support, Office of the Chief Executive
 M. Clark, Clerk to the Council of Ministers

Note: The Minutes of this meeting comprise Part A only.

Emergency legislation relating to Covid-19; decision to lodge 'au Greffe.'

A1, The Council, with reference to its Minute No. A1 of 31st March 2020, considered a further proposed legislative amendment, designed to provide additional public protection, as a consequence of the Covid-19 outbreak in Jersey:

Draft Covid-19 (Screening, Assessment and Isolation) (Amendment) (Jersey) Regulations 202-

The Regulations, if passed, would make minor amendments to the Covid-19 (Screening, Assessment and Isolation) (Jersey) Regulations 2020 (which had created an offence of going into, or remaining in, a public place during a restricted movement period) to include a non-exhaustive list of 'reasonable excuses'. In line with other temporary legislation designed to address the Covid-19 outbreak, it was noted that the Regulations would expire on 30th September 2020.

The Council accordingly noted the position and endorsed the decision of the Minister for Health and Social Services to lodge the draft Regulations 'au Greffe,' for consideration by the States Assembly on 2nd April 2020.