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COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

(18th Meeting)

25th February 2019**PART A (Non-Exempt)**

All members were present, with the exception of Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier, Minister for Social Security, from whom apologies had been received.

Senator J.A.N Le Fondré, Chief Minister
 Senator S.Y. Mézec, Minister for Children and Housing
 Senator L.J. Farnham, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture
 Senator T.A. Vallois, Minister for Education
 Deputy J. Young, Minister for the Environment
 Senator I.J. Gorst, Minister for External Relations (items A1- B1 only)
 Deputy R.J. Renouf of St. Ouen, Minister for Health and Social Services
 Connétable L. Norman of St. Clement, Minister for Home Affairs
 Deputy K.C. Lewis of St. Saviour, Minister for Infrastructure
 Deputy C.F. Labey, Minister for International Development
 Deputy S.J. Pinel of St. Clement, Minister for Treasury and Resources
 Deputy J.M. Maçon of St. Saviour, Assistant Minister for Social Security

In attendance -

Connétable C.H. Taylor, Assistant Chief Minister
 Connétable R. A. Buchanan, Assistant Chief Minister
 M. Rogers, Director General for Children, Young People Education and Skills
 Dr. M. Egan, Greffier of the States
 M.H. Temple, Q.C., H.M. Solicitor General
 R. Bell, Treasurer of the States
 T. Walker, Director General for Strategic Policy, Performance and Population
 Dr. M. Mathias, Group Director, Strategic Policy, Performance and Population (item B2 only)
 A. Metcalfe, Acting Head of Strategic Planning and Accountability (item B3 only)
 P. Bradbury, Interim Ministerial Support Unit
 M. Clark, Clerk to the Council of Ministers

Note: The Minutes of this meeting comprise Part A and Part B.

Minutes.

A1. The Minutes of the meetings of 23rd January and 6th February 2019 (Part A and Part B), having previously been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

Matters
Arising.

A2. The Council, with reference to its Minute No. B2 of 6th February 2019, noted that the final version of the draft Public Finances (Jersey) Law 201- (draft Law) was not yet available for review.

The Minister for Education reminded the Council that she had previously raised questions regarding the role and functions of the Principal Accountable Officer as defined in the draft Law, as well as the interrelationship between the draft Law and existing legislation, including the Employment of States of Jersey Employees (Jersey) Law 2005, which she believed had yet to be addressed.

The Council accordingly decided to delegate approval of the final draft to the Chief Minister and Minister for Treasury and Resources, in consultation with the Ministers for External Relations, Education and the Environment, following which, it was agreed that the draft Law should be lodged '*au Greffe*,' for consideration by the States Assembly, at the earliest opportunity.