

BILLET D'ÉTAT

**TO THE MEMBERS OF THE STATES OF
THE ISLAND OF GUERNSEY**

I have the honour to inform you that a Meeting of the States of Deliberation will be held at **THE ROYAL COURT HOUSE, on SATURDAY, the 1st MAY, 2004**, immediately after the sitting of the Royal Court convened for 9.30 a.m.

The oath of office and the oath of allegiance will be administered to all Members of the States (other than the Alderney Representatives) at the sitting of the Royal Court convened for 9.30am.

ELECTION OF CHIEF MINISTER

The States are asked:-

To elect a sitting Member of the States as Chief Minister to serve until May 2008 in accordance with Rule 7 of the Constitution and Operation of States Departments and Committees.

NB *Rule 20(3) of the Rules of Procedure of the States of Deliberation provides:*

“On a proposition to elect a Chief Minister:

- (a) nominations shall not be accepted unless they have been notified in writing to the Presiding Officer during such period prior to the election meeting as shall be determined by the House Committee, in accordance with this paragraph;*
- (b) any such notification between the date of a General Election of People’s Deputies and the 1st May next following may only be given by a person elected (or re-elected) in that General Election or by one of the Alderney Representatives in the States of Deliberation;*
- (c) the Presiding Officer shall cause each notification duly given to be posted in the Royal Court House as soon as possible after its receipt;*
- (d) at the election meeting, the Presiding Officer shall, whether or not there is more than one candidate, invite the proposer(s) and the candidate(s) to speak for not more than five minutes each before voting takes place; and no Member other than a proposer or candidate shall be entitled to speak.”*

Rule 25 provides that the function of the House Committee prior to the election of that Committee in May 2004 shall be performed by the States Procedures and Constitution Committee.

Pursuant to Rule 20(3)(a) and Rule 25, the States Procedures and Constitution Committee has determined that nominations for the office of Chief Minister may be accepted by the Presiding Officer during the period commencing at 9.00am on Thursday, 22nd April, 2004 and ending at 4.00pm on Thursday, 29th April, 2004.

Suitable Nomination forms can be obtained from my office.

Both the abovementioned Rules were approved by the States with minor amendments on the 30th October, 2003 and were contained in brochure No.2 to Billet d'Etat No. XXIV, 2003.

DE V. G. CAREY
Bailiff and President of the States

The Royal Court House,
Guernsey.
The 16th April, 2004

IN THE STATES OF THE ISLAND OF GUERNSEY

ON THE 1ST DAY OF MAY, 2004

The States resolved as follows concerning Billet d'État No. IV
Dated 16th April, 2004

ELECTION OF CHIEF MINISTER

To elect Deputy L.C. Morgan as Chief Minister to serve until May 2008 in accordance with Rule 7 of the Constitution and Operation of States Departments and Committees.

**K. H. TOUGH
HER MAJESTY'S GREFFIER**