



## BILLET D'ETAT FOR 20-07-2005

**Date: 19th July, 2005**

STATES OF ALDERNEY

BILLET D'ETAT FOR 20th July, 2005

BILLET No. 4

Members of the States:

I have the honour to inform you that the Meeting of the States will be held at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 20th July, 2005. This will be preceded by the People's Meeting, which will be held on Monday 18th July, 2005. in the Island Hall.

Sir Norman Browse

President

Item I Tax Information Exchange Agreements (âTIEAs")

The following letter has been received from Colonel Walter, Chairman of the Policy and Finance Committee: -

There is already before the States a proposition to approve the Projet de Loi entitled "The Income Tax (Guernsey) (Amendment) Law, 2005." As explained in the submission relating to that, section 75C of the Law deals with the provision of information to a competent authority of a requesting state pursuant to an approved international agreement. Such agreements (âTIEAs") are entered into through an executive, not legislative, process. The mandate to have responsibility for all matters relating to international agreements lies with the Policy and Finance Committee. However, following the precedent set last year (Deliberations, 22 June, 2004) in relation to bilateral agreements on the taxation of savings income, we have been advised that the entry into TIEAs should follow a similar process. You may recall that the decision of the States in relation to bilateral agreements on the taxation of savings income was to authorise the Chief Minister, or other Minister designated for this purpose by the Policy Council of the States of Guernsey, to sign such agreements on behalf of the States of Alderney.

I attach a copy of the TIEA between the States of Guernsey and the United States. The States of Alderney is asked to approve and ratify this on behalf of Alderney and to authorise the Chief Minister, or other Minister designated for this purpose by the Policy Council of the States of Guernsey, to negotiate and conclude on behalf of the States of Alderney further agreements (in the form, or substantially the form, of

the agreement with the United States of America) relating to the exchange of information in tax matters with other states and territories.

I shall be obliged if you will place this before the States at its next meeting with an appropriate resolution.

PF Walter

Chairman

The States is asked to approve and ratify on behalf of Alderney the Agreement between the Government of the States of Guernsey and the Government of the United States of America for the exchange of information relating to taxes and to authorise the Chief Minister, or other Minister designated for this purpose by the Policy Council of the States of Guernsey, to negotiate and conclude on behalf of the States of Alderney further agreements (in the form, or substantially the form, of the Agreement with the United States of America) relating to the exchange of information in tax matters with other states and territories.

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