



Government of Bermuda
The Cabinet Office

10th March 2025

Ms. Sam Strangeways
Investigations Editor
The Royal Gazette
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Dear Ms. Strangeways,

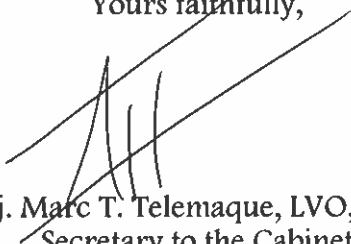
Re: Decision 05/2025

Further to the Order of the Information Commissioner in this matter, please note the following:

1. By an Order dated 11th February 2025, the Information Commissioner directed that the Cabinet Office conduct an internal review and issue an internal review decision, copied to the Information Commissioner.
2. The original request of 12th September 2024 is for:
 - (i) The report on the September 20, 2023, cyberattack which was delivered to the Cabinet office on November 7, 2023.
 - (ii) Any other reports (internal or external) about the cyberattack held by the Cabinet Office.
 - (iii) Any communications involving the Cabinet Office concerning the formation of a joint select committee to investigate the cyberattack.
3. Adopting the numbering in 2. above I can advise you as follows:
 - (i) The Report to which you refer is exempted from release pursuant to Sections 36(b) (Parliamentary Privilege), 34(1)(e) (Law enforcement), 32(1)(a) (national security) and Section 27(1)(d) as read with Section 27(3).
 - (ii) The cited exemptions equally apply.
 - (iii) I enclose herewith the extent of the communications involving the Cabinet Office on this matter.

You will be aware of your further rights under the Act.

Yours faithfully,



Maj. Marc T. Telemaque, LVO, ED, JP
Secretary to the Cabinet

Encl...

cc: Information Commissioner's Office

Telemaque, Marc

From: Somner, Clark
Sent: Wednesday, 3 January 2024 3:29 pm
To: Telemaque, Marc
Subject: RE: Motion
Attachments: HOUSE - Sample Motion for Establishment of JSC on Cyberattack.docx

Importance: High

CS,

Sample wording of proposed Motion attached.

Regards.

CWS

From: Telemaque, Marc [mailto:mtelemaque@gov.bm]
Sent: Wednesday, January 3, 2024 12:42 PM
To: Somner, Clark <csomner@gov.bm>
Subject: Re: Motion

Thank you. I appreciate it.

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From: Somner, Clark <csomner@gov.bm>
Sent: Wednesday, January 3, 2024 12:29:32 PM
To: Telemaque, Marc <mtelemaque@gov.bm>
Subject: RE: Motion

Good Day and a Happy New Year CS,

I am reviewing similar motions put forward in the House and will revert this afternoon with an appropriate resolution motion.

Regards.

CWS

From: Telemaque, Marc [mailto:mtelemaque@gov.bm]
Sent: Wednesday, January 3, 2024 11:33 AM
To: Somner, Clark <csomner@gov.bm>
Subject: Motion

Good morning Mr. Somner and Happy New Year. The Speech from the Throne undertook to "strike a Joint Select Committee of both Houses to inquire into and make recommendations arising from September's

cyberattack". In anticipation of such a Motion being made (pursuant to Standing Order 37) I would welcome your views on the content of that Motion which would invite the House's approval of the appointment of such a Committee.

Many thanks,

MT

Proposed Motion for JSC on Cyberattack

*“**WHEREAS** the Government have undertaken in the 2023 Throne Speech to “strike a Joint Select Committee of both Houses to inquire into and make recommendations arising from September’s cyberattack”;*

***BE IT RESOLVED** that this Honourable House approves the establishment of a Parliamentary Joint Select Committee to examine and review matters surrounding the cyberattack on Government IT systems in September 2023, and to report to this House its findings and recommendations in due course/within three months/within six months.”*

Telemaque, Marc

From: Glasford, Pandora V.
Sent: Wednesday, 19 June 2024 6:26 pm
To: Telemaque, Marc
Cc: Campbell, Vance
Subject: RE: Joint Select Committee

Thank you



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Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2024 6:22 PM
To: Glasford, Pandora V. <pvglasford@gov.bm>
Cc: Campbell, Vance <vcampbell@gov.bm>
Subject: Re: Joint Select Committee

None of the above. It's for the Speaker to liaise with the President and the Premier/ leader of the opposition and appoint.

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From: Glasford, Pandora V. <pvglasford@gov.bm>
Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2024 6:19:02 PM
To: Telemaque, Marc <mtelemaque@gov.bm>
Cc: Campbell, Vance <vcampbell@gov.bm>
Subject: Joint Select Committee

Good day, CS,

Please advise on the following:

1. What are next steps for the Minister – is he expected to make another motion on the floor to indicate who the members are?
2. Is he expected to propose to the Speaker members of this committee?
3. If yes, to any of the above – what is the timeframe?

Regards,



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