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Memorandum for Executive Council

SUBJECT

Membership of the Electronic Communication Consultative Committee

Memorandum by Financial Secretary

ADVICE SOUGHT

Council is asked to consider the membership of the Electronic Communication Consultative Committee and to approve the appointment of the proposed new membership.

BACKGROUND & CONSIDERATIONS

1. The telecommunications licence granted to 20th June 2012 makes provision for there to be an Electronic Communication Consultative Committee (ECCC). Clause 11 prescribes the composition of the ECCC as being five members, three of which (including the chair) shall be appointed by the Governor in Council. The two remaining members are appointed by the licensee (Sure SA).
2. The terms of reference require that the three members of the ECCC appointed by the Governor in Council shall have recognised qualifications, standing and experience in one or more of the following disciplines: finance and accounting; telecommunications; economics; law or other related administrative and technical fields.
3. The current chair of ECCC, Dax Richards, is appointed in his capacity as Financial Secretary.
4. The Secretary, Thomas Holvey, was the Socio-Economist at the time of his appointment. He is now Policy Advisor and it is proposed that he be appointed in that capacity.
5. The third member, Christine Cooper, is Crown Counsel and it is proposed that she be appointed as the nominee of the Attorney General.
6. Executive Council is asked to approve these appointments to ensure that the membership is properly constituted in good time for the required pricing and licence reviews in 2018 and 2019.
7. These appointments should be effective immediately and any future change to the composition of the ECCC should be brought back to ExCo.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications

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ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS There are no economic implications

CONSISTENCY WITH INVESTMENT POLICY PRINCIPLES N/A

PUBLIC / SOCIAL IMPACT There are no public/social implications.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT None

PREVIOUS CONSULTATION / COMMITTEE INPUT The previous membership of the ECCC was approved by Executive Council on 28th October 2014.

PUBLIC REACTION None.

PUBLICITY No publicity is required.

SUPPORT TO STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES .

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