



**8th MEETING OF 2014
52nd MEETING OF
THE CONSTITUTIONAL COMMISSION
28 JULY, 2014
COMMISSIONS SECRETARIAT**

PRESENT: David Ritch Chairman
 Wil Pineau Member

APOLOGIES: N/A

Secretariat members present:

 Deborah Bodden Manager, Commissions Secretariat

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 10:05am.

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

The minutes of 16 April, 2014 were approved.

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

a. Constitutional Review exercise

The Commission is now in the final stages of the review process to create a finalised list of constitutional areas which it wishes for the Government and the Foreign and Commonwealth Office to consider for potential review. These areas have been identified as the Commission feels they are sufficiently important to warrant being considered for amendment because they are either ambiguous or unclear or discussions need to be had on a policy level. The Commission is not in a position to complete a further review of the areas due to membership and resourcing issues but has also determined that a decision as to whether any of the areas need to be amended, and if so how they are amended, is beyond the remit of the Commission. It is anticipated that the final document will be presented to the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Her Excellency, the Premier and the Leader of the Opposition by the end of September however those parties will be updated on the status of the review in the interim.

b. Educational Guide to the Constitution

The Secretariat has had 275 copies of the final document printed and the Commission agreed that the release of such a document should wait until the start of the school year. Copies will be provided to Her Excellency, each of the elected officials, the Deputy Governor, the Attorney General, each of the schools (public and private), each of the public libraries, and the national

archive. The Commission will also issue a press release and provide a web-based availability to the general public via its website.

4. New Business

Tenure of Members

It is noted that the term of appointment of Member Sara Collins has now expired and a new member has not yet been appointed by Her Excellency. It is understood that she is currently considering the appointment of several members to various Commissions.

5. Items to be Discussed at the Next Meeting

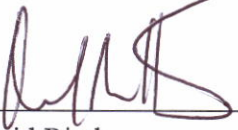
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6. Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting is to be determined.

7. Termination

The meeting was terminated at 11:56am.



David Ritch

CHAIRMAN

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