

24 July 2009

To: The Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Business, Enterprise and Co-operatives

Private Notice Question

I have to inform you that the Honourable Leader of the Opposition, Mr Paul Raymond Bérenger, G.C.S.K., MP, has given notice of the following Private Notice Question which he proposes to put to the Honourable Minister of Business, Enterprise and Co-operatives at the sitting to be held today, **Friday 24 July 2009 at 3.30 p.m.**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Business, Enterprise and Co-operatives –

Whether, in regard to the importation of petroleum products, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the State Trading Corporation, information as to –

- (a) the procedure adopted for the chartering of vessels and negotiating of freight rates and insurance, indicating if tenders are called for, or intermediaries are involved and commissions paid; and
- (b) if, since 2006, imported products have had to be resold to foreign buyers, or otherwise disposed of, and if so, the reasons therefor, indicating the amount of losses incurred and demurrage fees, if any, paid in each case?

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