

Response to a Question Pursuant to Rule 14 of The Rules of Procedure of the States of Deliberation and their Committees

Subject: FORT RICHMOND

States' Member: Deputy Taylor

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QUESTION 1

Having considered the Treasury and Resources policy letter dated 26th October 2007 and titled "States Property Rationalisation", the States of Guernsey resolved to sell Fort Richmond, which is described in Appendix IV of said policy letter (BILLET D'ÉTAT XXIV 2007).

On June 6th 2019, the States of Guernsey conveyed Fort Richmond to Bembridge Ltd.

At any point prior to the conveyance dated June 6th 2019 to Bembridge Ltd, did the States of Guernsey ever claim ownership of the neighbouring property, known as Maison de la Guerre?

The 6th June 2019 conveyance of the Fort Richmond site to Bembridge Limited comprised of all land and buildings on the site in the ownership of the States of Guernsey at that time.

The northern boundary of Fort Richmond, which runs in an east/west direction, bounds a property known as Patris, which includes a converted bunker now known as Maison de la Guerre.

The legal boundary bisects the bunker with the larger part being set within the Patris land parcel and the smaller southern part of the bunker set within what had previously been the States of Guernsey land parcel. The ownership of the land parcels, including the legally split ownership of the bunker was a matter of public record prior to the 6th June 2019 conveyance.