

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

**Subject:** Operational Matters of States Committees

**States' Member:** Deputy L C Queripel

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**Questions**

1. We often hear it said within the States, that Deputies shouldn't get involved in the 'operational matters' of States departments, i.e. procedures and processes. So with that in mind, are you able to tell me your committees' approach to that issue please?
2. Do members of your committee get involved in the 'operational matters' of your department.
3. Do you, would you, and your committee object, whenever / if ever, Deputies do/did try to get involved in the 'operational matters' of your committee?

**Response**

1. The Commission's mandate includes '*to deliver or oversee the delivery of, and to be accountable to the States for, any operational functions conferred on the Commission....*'. As an aside, the Commission consists of the President, who has to be a States Member, and Commissioners who need not be members of the States. The Commission carries out its duties and powers in accordance with operational policies approved by the Policy & Resources Committee, and the strategic direction set by the States, and makes its decisions by referring to both.
2. No – other than using the operational policies to make decisions and occasionally proposing changes to the operational policies to the Policy & Resources Committee.
3. The Commission would always consider suggestions from States Members or members of the public on its operations, whilst also taking into account its operational policies approved by the Policy & Resources Committee, and the strategic direction set by the States.

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