

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION STEERING COMMITTEE (FOISC) WORKING PAPER - CAYMAN ISLANDS

FOI Bill 2007

A presentation will be made to the Committee on the 2007 FOI Bill by Mrs. Carole Excell, FOI Coordinator.

Archives and Public Records Law 2007

A pre-requisite to successful FOI implementation will be ensuring good records management practices. With this in mind, a presentation will be made to the Committee on the new Archives and Public Records Law by Mr. Jan Liebaers, Deputy Director, The National Archives.

Terms of Reference

The Committee is asked to sign off on their Terms of Reference.

Creation of sub-committees

The Committee is asked to make final recommendations for representation on each subcommittee. NB: - The FOI Unit at the current time will have to be represented on each sub-committee to provide back ground information and support.

Report from Sub Committees

An oral report will be made on status/work of the sub-committees by each Chair

Outputs/ Reporting

The FOISC is required to report to the Cabinet Secretary. Sub-Committees will need to meet to start working on the outputs proposed. Committee members are reminded of the draft Outputs referred to in FOISC 1 Working Paper. Sub-Committees are requested to discuss the timelines for the achievement of each output so that they can be included in the Government wide FOI Implementation Plan.

Report on Cultural Change

A decision needs to be made on what methodology should be used to ensure appropriate communication with persons in the public sector of the message of FOI, and open government. Members of the public will also have to be assured of their right to request information. The Committee is asked to consider the creation of a Communications, Public Participation and Public Relations Sub Committee headed by Cornelia Oliver, GIS which will have to prepare a report on cultural change.