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To: THE HON. THE PREMIER FOR CABINET (SUB-COMMITTEE) AND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

About: OVERSEAS TRAVEL AND THE APPOINTMENT OF AN ACTING MINISTER

1. PROPOSAL

- 1.1 To seek Cabinet approval for the Hon. Michael John Atkinson M.P., Attorney-General, Minister for Justice and Minister for Multicultural Affairs, Mr Peter Louca, Chief of Staff to the Attorney-General and Mr Jerome Maguire, Chief Executive of the Attorney-General's Department, travelling to the United States to attend the 55th National Prayer Breakfast and continue the Government's exploration of innovative criminal justice systems, from Sunday, 21 January, 2007, to Sunday, 4 February, 2007, inclusive.
- 1.2 That the Hon. Carmel Zollo M.L.C., the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Correctional Services, Minister for Road Safety and Minister Assisting the Minister for Multicultural Affairs to be also Acting Attorney-General, Acting Minister for Justice and Acting Minister for Multicultural Affairs for the period from Sunday, 21 January, 2007, to Sunday, 4 February, 2007, inclusive, during the absence of the Hon. Michael John Atkinson M.P.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The purpose of the proposed trip is twofold:
 - to attend the 55th National Prayer Breakfast and associated events in Washington D.C., from 30 January, 2007, to 2 February, 2007, to which I have been invited by the National Prayer Breakfast Congressional Committee; and
 - to continue the Government's exploration of innovative criminal justice systems by visiting overseas institutions engaged in criminal-justice services and research.
- 2.2 The Government has a target, in South Australia's Strategic Plan, of reducing crime rates to the lowest in the nation.
- 2.3 To achieve this, it is important to explore and discuss the latest in innovative justice systems, nationally and internationally.

- 2.4 The proposed visit, accompanied by Chief of Staff, Peter Louca, and Jerome Maguire, Chief Executive of the Attorney-General's Department and Department of Justice, will assist in this process. It will add to the knowledge gained from the visit to South Australia in 2005 by Professor David Kennedy, the Director of the Center for Crime Prevention and Control at the John Jay College of Criminal Justice, City University of New York.

3. DISCUSSION

- 3.1 These site visits are planned in New York State:

- the John Jay College of Criminal Justice;
- the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services;
- the Center for Court Innovation; and
- Red Hook Community Justice Center, Brooklyn.

These site visits are planned in Washington D.C.:

- Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, U.S. Department of Justice; and
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If time permits, I will also visit victims' support and reform bodies in Boston and South Carolina.

- 3.2 **Required Resources**

The estimated cost of about \$3,500 will be met from the existing budget of the Attorney-General's Department.

- 3.3 **South Australia's Strategic Plan**

The visit supports the Government policy of adopting the latest technologies and methods to reduce crime rates (S.A. Strategic Plan item 2.8).

- 3.4 **Risk Management Strategy**

Nil

- 3.5 **Consultation**

The Hon. The Premier has approved my proposed travel. A minute verifying this is attached.

- 3.6 **Implementation Plan**

Nil

- 3.7 **Communication Strategy**

Nil

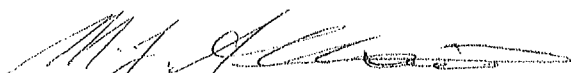
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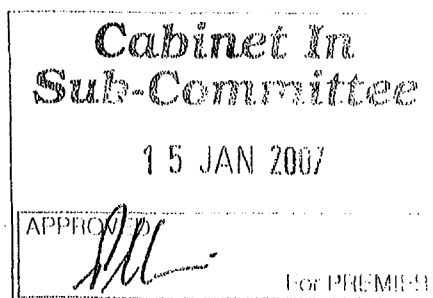
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MICHAEL ATKINSON M.P.
ATTORNEY-GENERAL

10 January, 2007



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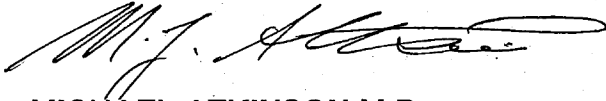
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4. RECOMMENDATIONS

I recommended that Cabinet:

- 4.1 Approve overseas travel to the United States for the Hon. M. J. Atkinson M.P., Attorney-General, Minister for Justice and Minister for Multicultural Affairs from Sunday, 21 January, 2007, to Sunday, 4 February, 2007, inclusive.

- 4.3 Recommend that Her Excellency the Governor in Executive Council approve the appointment of the Hon. Carmel Zollo M.L.C. as Acting Attorney-General, Minister for Justice and Minister for Multicultural Affairs during the period from Sunday, 21 January, 2007, to Sunday, 4 February, 2007, inclusive.



MICHAEL ATKINSON M.P.
ATTORNEY-GENERAL

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The Hon Michael Atkinson MP



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Minister for Multicultural Affairs

To The Hon. The Premier

Overseas Travel Request : 20 January - 4 February, 2007

I have been invited by Members of the United States Congress to attend the Washington Prayer Breakfast and events on 30-2 February, 2007. I attach a copy of that invitation for your information.

I wish to travel to the United States from about Saturday, 20 January 2007 to about Saturday, 4 February 2007 Inclusive.

I will also take the opportunity to travel to New York and Chicago to examine justice programmes and Investigate appropriate policies.

My draft Itinerary includes in New York State:

- the John Jay College of Criminal Justice;
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In Washington D.C.:

- Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention, U.S. Department of Justice;
- National Institute of Justice

In Chicago:

- Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority;
- Mayoral Policy Caucus on Prisoner Re-entry.

I will be accompanied by Peter Louca, my Chief of Staff, and Jerome Magulre, the Chief Executive of the Attorney-General's Department.

My office has approached the Hon. Carmel Zollo M.L.C. and she has agreed to act during my absence as Attorney-General, Minister for Justice and Minister for Multicultural Affairs.

Michael Atkinson M.P.
Attorney-General

5 December 2006

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Minister for Volunteers