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Declaration of interest requirements by Members of Parliament in the United Kingdom in relation to the Category of “Clients”

Purpose

This paper sets out for members’ information details on what interests are required to be registered by Members of the United Kingdom (“UK”) House of Commons under the Category of “Clients”.

Background

2. At the meeting of the Committee on Members’ Interests on 7 January 2011, members noted the research report on requirements and related arrangements for the registration and disclosure of Members’ interests (RP02/10-11). Members requested the Secretariat to provide further information on whether Members in UK are required to register the names of the clients to whom they provided legal services or business services as well as the amount of payment they received, regardless of whether these services arose out of or related in any manner to their being Members.

Declaration requirements

Directorship and remunerated employment, office, profession, etc

3. In the House of Commons, Members are required to declare:
- (a) *Directorship (Category 1)* i.e. remunerated directorships in public and private companies including directorship which

are individually unremunerated, but where the remuneration is paid through another company in the same group (remuneration received in respect of work done in a Member's parliamentary capacity should be indicated in bands of up to £5,000; £5,001 to £10,000; and thereafter in bands of £5,000).¹

- (b) *Remunerated employment, office, profession, etc (Category 2)* i.e. employment, office, trade, profession or vocation (apart from membership of the House or ministerial office) which is remunerated or in which the Member has any financial interest (remuneration received in respect of work done in a Member's parliamentary capacity should be indicated in bands of up to £5,000; £5,001 to £10,000; and thereafter in bands of £5,000; membership of Lloyd's should also be registered under this Category and the categories of insurance business the Member is underwriting should be disclosed).²

Clients

Registration requirements

4. In respect of any paid employment a Member has registered in the two categories referred to paragraph 3(a) and (b) above, any provision to clients of services by a Member should be registered under the Category of "Clients" (Category 3). All clients to which personal services are provided should be listed together with the nature of the client's business in each case. Where a Member receives remuneration from a company or partnership engaged in consultancy business which itself has clients, the Member should list any of those clients to whom personal services and advice are provided, either directly or indirectly.

Guidelines

5. According to the Guide to the Rules relating to the conduct of Members, Members are advised that:

¹ Page 88 of the research report on "Requirements and related arrangements for the registration and disclosure of Members' interests in selected overseas legislatures" (RP 02/10-11)

² Ibid, page 89

- (a) If a Member is employed as a parliamentary adviser by a firm which is itself a consultancy, he or she should register under this category any clients of that firm to which he or she has personally provided services. In addition the Member should register any clients of the consultancy which he or she knows have benefited from such advice. Where a company is named as a client, the nature of the company's business should be indicated. The consultancy itself should be registered under Category 2.

- (b) Members must register under this category the precise amount of each individual payment made, the nature of the work carried on in return for that payment, the number of hours worked during the period to which that payment relates and (except where disclosure of the information would be contrary to any legal or established professional duty of privacy or confidentiality) the name and address of the person, organisation or company making that payment.

Examples

- 6. Members may wish to refer to **Appendices I to V** for examples of the interests registered under Categories 1, 2 and 3.

Members' advice

- 7. Members are invited to note the above information.

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Information extracted from the Register of
Members' Financial Interests of House of Commons
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BALDRY, Tony (Banbury)

1. Remunerated directorships

Mastermailer Holdings plc, Bloxham Mill, Bloxham, Oxon; development of stationery and stationery products. I am a non-executive director, and my duties involve attending board meetings. Directorship relinquished August 2010.

Received payment of £2,500. Hours: 3 hrs. *(Registered 7 April 2010)*

Deputy Chairman, Woburn Energy plc, 16 Upper Woburn Place, London, WC1H 0AF; AIM listed company specialising in oil exploration and recovery. Work includes attending meetings and advising on business opportunities.

Received payment of £3,333.33 Hours: 4 hrs. *(Registered 1 April 2010)*

Received payment of £3,333.33. Hours: 4 hrs. *(Registered 26 May 2010)*

Received payment of £3,333.33. Hours: 4 hrs. *(Registered 26 June 2010)*

Received payment of £3,333.33. Hours: 3 hrs. *(Registered 30 July 2010)*

Received payment of £3,333.33. Hours: 3 hrs. *(Registered 8 September 2010)*

Received payment of £3,333.33. Hours: 3 hrs. *(Registered 8 October 2010)*

Received payment of £3,333 Hours: 3 hrs. *(Registered 5 November 2010)*

Received payment of £3,333 Hours: 5 hrs. *(Registered 22 November 2010)*

Received payment of £3,333. Hours: 4 hrs. *(Registered 23 December 2010)*

Received payment of £3,333.33 Hours: 4 hrs. *(Registered 28 January 2011)*

Received payment of £3,333.33 Hours: 4 hrs. *(Registered 28 February 2011)*

Received payment of £3,333 Hours: 4 hrs. *(Registered 24 March 2011)*

Taha & Partners Ltd (non-executive); investment and business development in Iraq. Address: Barbican House, 26 – 34 Old Street, London EC1V 9QR. Work includes attending meetings and advising on business opportunities.

HCFI Limited (non-executive); a publicly quoted company in Egypt, with a range of commercial activities from aviation and tourism to medical equipment.

2. Remunerated employment, office, profession etc

Practising barrister, arbitrator and mediator.

Received fee of £10,000 for advising on arbitration issues to Knightsbridge Consulting Ltd, by direct access. Hours: 12 hrs. *(Registered 22 December 2010)*

Fee of £10,000 received from direct access client. Hours: 10 hrs. *(Registered 28 March 2011)*

Saunders Law Partnership, 1 Essex Street, London WC2R 3HY.

Received fee of £8,225 for advising clients. Hours: 10 hrs. *(Registered 27 May 2010)*

Zaiwalla & Co., solicitors. Address: Sarosh Zaiwalla Esq., Zaiwalla & Co., 46-47 Chancery Lane, London WC2A 1JE.

Received fee of £5,000 for advising clients. Hours: 5 hrs. *(Registered 5 November 2010)*

Received fee of £20,000 for advising on mediation issues to Knightsbridge Consulting Ltd, by direct access. Address: Dukes Court, 3rd Floor North, 32 Duke St, London SW1Y 6DF. Hours: 25 hrs. *(Registered 3 February 2011)*

Executive Partner in Diamond Film Partnership; a UK partnership promoting UK film and television production rights.

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LEE, Jessica (Erewash)

2. Remunerated employment, office, profession etc
Self-employed barrister.

Received from firms of solicitors since 6 May 2010 for work carried out before 6 May 2010 payments as follows:

From Bhatia Best 12 Carrington Street Nottingham NG1 7FF £130 plus VAT. Hours: 3 hrs 45 mins.

From French and Co 6 Derby Terrace Nottingham NG1 1ND £250 plus VAT. Hours: 15 mins.

From Straw and Pearce 18 Rectory Place Loughborough Leicestershire LE11 1UU £319 plus VAT. Hours: 4 hrs.

From Fraser Brown 84 Friar Lane Nottingham NG1 6ED £150 plus VAT. Hours: 3 hrs.

From Anthony Clark & Co 16a Guildhall Street Lincoln Lincs LN1 1TT £951.32 plus VAT. Hours: 8 hrs 10 mins.

From Champions, 45-49 Mansfield Road Nottingham NG1 3FH £1,895.20 plus VAT. Hours: 26 hours.

Morley Brown and Company 2 Main Ridge West Boston Lincolnshire PE21 6QH £2,051.20 plus VAT. Hours: 26 hrs

Hawley and Rodgers 2 Clarendon Street Nottingham NG1 5JQ £810.40 plus VAT. Hours: 10 hrs.

Sheltons Belmont House Station Road Hucknall Nottingham £250. Hours: 1 hr 45 mins.

(Registered 19 July 2010)

Received from Derbyshire County Council since the General Election for work carried out prior to the election, payments as follows:

£300 plus VAT. Hours: 4 hrs.

£276.25 plus VAT. Hours: 4 hrs 15 mins.

£300 plus VAT. Hours: 4 hrs 50 mins.

£1,500 plus VAT. Hours: 23 hrs 15 mins.

£308.75. Hours: 4 hrs 45 mins.

£300 plus VAT. Hours: 3 hrs 20 mins.

£1,500 plus VAT. Hours: 20 hrs 30 mins.

£650 plus VAT. Hours: 8 hrs 20 mins.

£650 plus VAT. Hours: 8 hrs 30 mins.

(Registered 21 September 2010)

Received payments as follows since 6 May 2010:

Nottingham City Council Legal Services, £300 plus VAT. Hours: 7 hrs.

Nelsons Solicitors, £1409.80 plus VAT Hours: 16 hrs.

Rothera Dowson Solicitors, £3981.05 plus VAT. Hours: 43 hrs.

Fraser Brown Solicitors, £260 plus VAT. Hours: 4.75 hrs.

(Registered 17 January 2011)

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BEBB, Guto (Aberconwy)

2. Remunerated employment, office, profession etc

Proprietor of Egin Partnership, an economic consultancy. Address: Caban, Brynrefail, Caernarfon, Gwynedd LL55 3NR.

Payments from BBC Wales, Broadcasting House, Llandaf, Cardiff:

BBC Wales, Y Ganolfan Ddariledu, Llandaf Caerdydd. Received payment of £20 for being a guest on a programme in June 2010. Hours: approx 30mins (*Registered on 27 October 2010*)

BBC Wales. Received payment of £20 for being a guest on a programme in September 2010. Hours: approx 30mins (*Registered on 27 October 2010*)

November 2010, received £20 for appearance on Rhaglen Gwilym Owen in October 2010. Hours: 30 mins. (*Registered 30 November 2010*)

November 2010, received £165 for appearance on Pawb a'Farn from Bethesda in October 2010. Hours: 2hrs. (*Registered 30 November 2010*)

Boomerang, 218 Heol Penarth, Caerdydd Cardiff CF11 8NN. Received £200 payment for appearances on two programmes made in September. Hours: approx 2 hrs in total. (*Registered on 27 October 2010*)

Boomerang. Received £40 payment in August for an radio interview. Hours: 30Mins. (*Registered 27 October 2010*)

Green Bay Media Ltd, Talbot Studios, Talbot Street Cardiff. Received £100 in August for appearing on a radio programme. Hours: 1hr (*Registered 27 October 2010*)

Cwmni Da, Cae Llenor, Lon Parc Caernarfon Gwynedd. Received £150 in August for a TV programme. Hours: approx 1hr (*Registered 27 October 2010*)

Payments from ComRes, 4 Millbank London SW1P 3JA:

Received £75 in August 2010 for completing a panel survey. Hours: 30mins (*Registered 27 October 2010*)

December 2010, received £75 for completing survey. Hours: 30 mins. (*Registered 8 February 2011*)

January 2011, received £75 for completing survey. Hours: 30 mins. (*Registered 8 February 2011*)

December 2010, payment of £150 from Ipsos MORI, 79-81 Borough Road, London SE1 1FY., for completing survey. Hours: 45 mins. (*Registered 8 February 2011*)

3. Clients

Of Egin Partnership:

Payments from Jacal Cyf, consultancy; for consultancy services. Address: Gorwel, Tudweiliog, Pwllheli, Gwynedd:

Payment of £3,600 Hours: 45 hrs. (*Registered 28 October 2010*)

Payment of £1,800. Hours: 24 hrs. (*Registered 30 November 2010*)

January 2011, payment of £900. Hours: 15 hrs. (*Registered 8 February 2011*)

February 2011, payment of £900. Hours: 12 hrs. (*Registered 8 February 2011*)

Payment of £2,000 from Innovas Ltd, Verdin Exchange; consultancy, for consultancy support. Address: Winsford, Cheshire, for consultancy support. Hours: 15 hrs. (*Registered 28 October 2010*)

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GARNIER, Mark (Wyre Forest)

1. Directorships

Partner in Severn Capital LLP, Orchard Cottage Belle Vue, Newlyn, Penzance, Cornwall TR18 5EB. Manages US-listed equity investments and processes payments from Augmentor. Hours: approx 5 hours per month. *(Registered 27 May 2010)*
Received on 15 July a payment for £470 via Augmentor for work carried out for Chromogenex. *(Registered 11 October 2010)*
Received on 23 September a payment for £484.68 via Augmentor for work carried out for Chromogenex. *(Registered 11 October 2010)*

2. Remunerated employment, office, profession etc

Consultant for Augmentor, a business consultancy. Address: 19 Victoria Street, Burnham on Sea, Somerset TA8 1AL. Payments made to Severn Capital. Hours: approx 8 hrs per month. *(Registered 27 May 2010)*

3. Clients

Chromogenex PLC, Units 1-2 Heol Rhosyn, Dafen Ind. Est., Llanelli, Carmarthenshire SA14 8QG. Manufacturer of medical lasers. Chromogenex is billed monthly by Augmentor (see category 2 above). Payments from Chromogenex to Augmentor are made once or twice a year. Augmentor is then billed by Severn Capital (see category 1 above and category 9 below) which then pays Mr Garnier about once a year. Payments of circa £500 + VAT per month made to Augmentor. Hours: approx 8 hrs per month. *(Registered 27 May 2010)*

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MURRAY, Ian (Edinburgh South)

1. **Directorships**
100MPH Events Ltd. Address: 37 St Patrick Square, Edinburgh, Lothian, EH8 9EU.
Received £3,000. Hours: 100 hrs. See category 3 below. *(Registered 3 June 2010)*
2. **Remunerated employment, office, profession etc**
Councillor on City of Edinburgh Council (until 26 June 2010). Address: City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh EH1 1YJ.
31 May 2010, received £921.40. Hours: 80 hrs. *(Registered 3 June 2010)*
30 June 2010, received £921.40. Hours: 80 hrs. *(Registered 26 July 2010)*
3. **Clients**
Event management services to Bath Festival Fringe. Payment of £3,000 made to 100MPH Events Ltd (see category 1 above). Hours: 100 hrs. Address of payer: Wendy Matthews, Bath Festival Fringe, The Bell, 103 Walcot Street, Bath BA1 5BW. *(Registered 3 June 2010)*