

## **JCRA Media Release**

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### **APPOINTMENT OF JCRA CHAIRMAN**

Yesterday, the States of Jersey appointed Mark Boleat as the Non-Executive Chairman of the Jersey Competition Regulatory Authority ('JCRA'). Mr Boleat's appointment commences immediately and is for a three-year term. He succeeds as Chairman The Right Honourable the Lord Kingsland, QC who died unexpectedly in July 2009.

Mr Boleat has extensive experience in regulatory policy and practice, the handling of complex public policy issues, and holds or has held numerous board level appointments in commercial, public and charitable organisations.

His career has included a number of high profile roles including the City of London Deputy Chair of the Policy and Resources Committee and Chairman of the Markets Committee and Director General of the Association of British Insurers. He also has recently been appointed by the Secretary of State for Business to be a member of the UK Government's new Regulatory Policy Committee.

In addition to his professional experience in the UK, Mark Boleat has strong ties to Jersey. Educated at Victoria College, he has written extensively on Jersey and has undertaken three significant reviews for the States of Jersey, including one on consumer policy.

Mr Boleat was appointed pursuant to States Proposition No. P 43/2010, which was brought by the Minister for Economic Development (the 'Minister') in accordance with Article 3(1)(a) of the Competition Regulatory Authority (Jersey) Law 2001. The Minister's recommendation was subject to a prior JCRA Media Release dated 6 April 2010.

All enquiries should be directed to the JCRA's Executive Director, Chuck Webb, on +44 (0)1534 514990.

## About the JCRA

The JCRA is an independent authority established by the States of Jersey to enforce Jersey's competition law and regulate its telecommunication and postal sectors. In each of these areas, the JCRA's primary mission is to promote consumer welfare through efforts that encourage lower prices and greater choice and innovation in the goods and services available in Jersey. The JCRA is recognized internationally as a leading voice in the application of competition law and policy in small economies.

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