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SUPPLEMENT TO 2011 REGISTER OF ELECTORS

The Chief Minister, Peter Caruana, has exercised his powers under the Parliament Act to make an Order requiring the preparation and publication not later than 31st October 2011 of a Supplement to the 2011 Register of Electors.

The 2011 Register of Electors was published by the Registration Officer on 1st August 2011. Since then a number of persons have come forward saying that for one reason or another they failed to apply to be included in the Register, in most cases due to people not appreciating that the fact that they voted at the last election does not mean that they are automatically included in the Register for the next one. Each election requires a new Register of Electors and people must apply to be included in it on each occasion.

The Government believes that, in so far as reasonably practicable, everyone who is eligible to vote at a General Election should be able to do so. The production of a Supplemental Register will give people who have not done so a further opportunity to register and thus vote.

Anyone who is otherwise eligible and wishes to vote at the forthcoming general election and did not apply to be included in the 2011 Register, should now apply. The Registration Officer will be making further statements and issuing advertisements in connection with the preparation by him of the Supplemental Register.