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## JOHN MACKINTOSH HALL LIBRARY NEW JOURNAL SUBSCRIPTIONS & AUTOMATED SYSTEM

The Ministry of Culture is delighted to announce that the development of the John Mackintosh Hall (JMH) Library continues. By providing innovations and added facilities, the number of Library members continues to rise.

The Library is pleased to announce its new subscription to Jstor- the academic journal database. Jstor is a growing digital library of academic journals, books, and primary sources and is used by a large number of universities in the United Kingdom. The JMH Library has subscribed to the Humanities package, and this can be accessed from the three computers in the reference section. The Library is also happy to announce that an automated circulation and cataloguing system is being put in place.

The regular members of staff at the library have been temporarily supplemented by a contingent of students who are helping with the bar-coding of all the books, which is necessary for the working of the new system.

The new automated system will greatly improve the checking in and out of books, both for the library assistants as well as for the library users. The system will also allow remote access to the library catalogue, through any internet-linked computer.

We ask that the public be patient whilst this system is implemented, as a slight disruption to the loaning of books will be inevitable. Please ask at the reception desk for further details. For further information please contact T: 20078000 or E: jmhlibrary@culture.gov.gi