JUSTICE 1 COMMITTEE AND JUSTICE 2 COMMITTEE (JOINT MEETING)

Wednesday 25 February 2004 (*Morning*)

Session 2

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Scottish Parliament

Justice 1 Committee and Justice 2 Committee (Joint Meeting)

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(Morning)

[THE CONVENER opened the meeting at 10:04]

Item in Private

The Convener (Pauline McNeill): We are quorate, so I shall begin. I ask members to switch off their mobile phones as usual. I have received apologies from Colin Fox, Maureen Macmillan and Nicola Sturgeon.

I ask the committees whether they wish to consider item 2 in private. Item 2 relates to the consideration of candidates for the post of adviser to assist the committees in their scrutiny of the 2005-06 budget process.

Miss Annabel Goldie (West of Scotland) (Con): Before we proceed, I wish to say in public session that I know one of the applicants well. Under those circumstances, I do not propose either to speak about or to vote on the appointment of an adviser.

The Convener: Thank you for that.

Are the committees in agreement that we now move into private session?

Members indicated agreement.

10:05

Meeting continued in private until 10:18.

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