Written Assembly Questions for answer on 5 December 2002

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(Self identifying Question no. shown in brackets)

To ask the First Minister

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); When did the Minister first become aware of the plan to open Trade and Investment Offices in New York, San Francisco, Hong Kong, Brussels, Tokyo and Sydney. (WAQ21151)

To ask the Minister for Rural Development

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); When did the Minister first become aware of the plan to open Trade and Investment Offices in New York, San Francisco, Hong Kong, Brussels, Tokyo and Sydney. (WAQ21152)

Richard Edwards (Preseli Pembrokeshire); What steps has the Minister taken to develop and promote the indigenous Welsh fishing industry since the creation of the National Assembly for Wales. (WAQ21161)

Richard Edwards (Preseli Pembrokeshire); What enquiries are undertaken by the National Assembly into applicants for fisheries licences, as part of the application process (WAQ21162)

Richard Edwards (Preseli Pembrokeshire); Does the enquiry process into applicants for fisheries licences involve visits overseas if the applicant is foreign. (WAQ21163)

Richard Edwards (Preseli Pembrokeshire); What percentage of fisheries licences around the Welsh coast are granted to indigenous Welsh companies. (WAQ21165)

Richard Edwards (Preseli Pembrokeshire); What percentage of fisheries licences around the Welsh coast are granted to overseas companies. (WAQ21166)

Richard Edwards (Preseli Pembrokeshire); Is the primary responsibility of the Fisheries division in the National Assembly to promote the indigenous Welsh fishing industry. (WAQ21167)

Richard Edwards (Preseli Pembrokeshire); Can the Minister make a statement on the length of time taken to deal with and process renewals for fisheries licences around the Welsh coast; (WAQ21168)

Richard Edwards (Preseli Pembrokeshire); Can the Minister make a statement on the length of time taken to deal with and process applications for fisheries licences around the Welsh coast. (WAQ21169)

Peter Rogers (North Wales); On what date was letter CA64 2002 notice to all Sheep Annual Premium claimants posted to Welsh farmers. (WAQ21173)

Peter Rogers (North Wales); On what date was the November publication of 'Gwlad' posted to farmers. (WAQ21174)

Peter Rogers (North Wales); On what date were the farming unions made aware about the provision of SAPS payment on the grounds of hardship. (WAQ21175)

Peter Rogers (North Wales); When was the first payment of SAPS paid to a Welsh farmer on the grounds of hardship. (WAQ21176)

Peter Rogers (North Wales); What date was an application received from Mr Richard Japhetii, Holding Number 53/002/9021 for payment under hardship of his SAPS, and when was payment made. (WAQ21177)

Peter Rogers (North Wales); How many other payments of SAPS were made under hardship and on what date were these paid. (WAQ21178)

Peter Rogers (North Wales); On what date were farmers told about the Provision of Payments under Hardship (WAQ21179)

To ask the Minister for Education and Lifelong Learning

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); When did the Minister first become aware of the plan to open Trade and Investment Offices in New York, San Francisco, Hong Kong, Brussels, Tokyo and Sydney. (WAQ21153)

To ask the Minister for Economic Development

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); When did the Minister first become aware of the

plan to open Trade and Investment Offices in New York, San Francisco, Hong Kong, Brussels, Tokyo and Sydney. (WAQ21154)

Janet Ryder (North Wales); Is the Assembly Government in discussion with Zurich Warranty Management Services regarding grant support for the development of 200 jobs in Cardiff. (WAQ21160)

Richard Edwards (Preseli Pembrokeshire): Can the Minister specify how many Financial Instruments for Fisheries Guidance (FIFG) grants have been awarded since the start of the current Objective 1 programme, and provide a regional breakdown of those grants. (WAQ21164)

To ask the Minister for Health and Social Services

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); When did the Minister first become aware of the plan to open Trade and Investment Offices in New York, San Francisco, Hong Kong, Brussels, Tokyo and Sydney. (WAQ21155)

Dai Lloyd (South Wales West); What funding is set aside for the training, recruitment and retention of Nurse Care Managers/Nurse Practitioners in Cardiac Surgery. (WAQ21170)

Dai Lloyd (South Wales West); How many beds will be located at the proposed new Tenby community hospital. (WAQ21171)

Geraint Davies (Rhondda); Will the Minister make a statement on any progress made regarding the creation of a new hospital in Rhondda. (WAQ21172) **W R**

To ask the Minister for Open Government

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); When did the Minister first become aware of the plan to open Trade and Investment Offices in New York, San Francisco, Hong Kong, Brussels, Tokyo and Sydney. (WAQ21156)

To ask the Minister for Culture, Sport and the Welsh Language

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); When did the Minister first become aware of the plan to open Trade and Investment Offices in New York, San Francisco, Hong Kong, Brussels, Tokyo and Sydney. (WAQ21157)

To ask the Minister for the Environment

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); When did the Minister first become aware of the plan to open Trade and Investment Offices in New York, San Francisco, Hong Kong, Brussels, Tokyo and Sydney. (WAQ21158)

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); Will the Minister make a statement on the environmental impact of housing developments in Wales. (WAQ21140)

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); Will the Minister make a statement on the Government's transport policy. (WAQ21141)

Owen John Thomas (South Wales Central); What guidance is the Minister giving to local authorities concerning the achievement of recycling targets. (WAQ21142)

Ann Jones (Vale of Clywd); Will the Minister make a statement on the measures being taken to promote road safety in the run up to Christmas. (WAQ21143)

Ann Jones (Vale of Clywd); Will the Minister make a statement on the impact of the Assembly's provision of free bus travel for senior citizens and disabled people. (WAQ21144)

Owen John Thomas (South Wales Central); Will the Minister make a statement on the impact of the free bus pass scheme on local bus services. (WAQ21145)

Peter Black (South Wales West); How is the Minister dealing with contaminated land in Wales. (WAQ21146)

To ask the Assembly Minister for Finance, Local Government and Communities

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); When did the Minister first become aware of the plan to open Trade and Investment Offices in New York, San Francisco, Hong Kong, Brussels, Tokyo and Sydney. (WAQ21159)

Owen John Thomas (South Wales Central); What machinery exists for monitoring the performance of local authorities in delivering public services (WAQ21147)

Ann Jones (Vale of Clwyd); Will the Minister make a statement on the aspects of the Local Government Bill that will apply in Wales. (WAQ21148)

Ann Jones (Vale of Clwyd); What assessment has the Minister made of Denbighshire Council's progress in respect of its policy agreement with the Assembly. (WAQ21149)

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); Will the Minister make a statement on the rent officer service in Wales. (WAQ21150)