

Supervisory Board meeting - Summary

Thursday 14 July 2011

Room P3.47, Peel Building, 2MS

Attendees

Home Secretary (Chair)	
Damien Green	Minister for Immigration
James Brokenshire	Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Crime & Security
Lynne Featherstone	Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Equalities and Criminal Information
Helen Ghosh	Permanent Secretary
Jonathan Sedgwick	(Acting) Chief Executive, UK Border Agency
Stephen Rimmer	Director General, Crime and Policing Group
Charles Farr	Director General, Office for Security and Counter Terrorism
Mike Anderson	Director General, Strategy, Immigration and International Group
Val Gooding	Lead Non-Executive Board member
Philip Augar	Non-Executive Board member
Dianne Thompson	Non-Executive Board member
John Allan	Non-Executive Board member

Others:

Ann Abraham	Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman
Donal Galligan	Ombudsman Policy Manager, Parliamentary & Health Service Ombudsman
Jonathan Sweet	Private Secretary to the Home Office Board
Peter Kane	Director, Finance (Item x)

Summary

1	<p>Introduction</p> <p>Apologies for absence had been received from the Minister of State for Policing and Criminal Justice, the Minister of State for Crime Prevent and Anti Social Behaviour Reduction and the Director General, Finance and Commercial.</p> <p>Mike Anderson, the new Director General, Strategy, Immigration and International Group, was welcomed to his first meeting of the Supervisory Board.</p> <p>The Board approved the minutes of the last meeting.</p> <p>The Director General, Office for Security and Counter Terrorism (OSCT) gave an oral update on Counter Terrorism following the recent downgrading of the security level.</p>
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	The Director General, Crime and Policing Group gave an oral update on the phone hacking scandal.
2	<p>Learning from complaints?</p> <p>The Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman, Ann Abraham addressed the Board on her role, on her office's relationship with Government departments and on the type and nature of the investigations into the Home Office and its agencies. The Board noted the benefits of "right first time" decision-making and the need to learn from mistakes.</p>
3	<p>Corporate Reporting</p> <p>The Board discussed the issues arising from the finance, risk and performance reports.</p>
4	<p>Policy Environment</p> <p>The Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Crime & Security gave a short oral presentation on the current CT environment, which was followed by a presentation and discussion specifically on the risk associated with the forthcoming Olympics led by the Director General, Office for Security and Counter Terrorism.</p>
5	<p>Supervisory Board: Sub-Committees – Terms of Reference</p> <p>The Board agreed the terms of reference for and membership of the Nominations and Governance committee.</p>
6	<p>Future agendas</p> <p>The Board agreed to discuss the transition of the NPIA in more detail at its next meeting and for subsequent Board meetings to be updated regularly on the Olympics.</p> <p>The Board also agreed to defer the discussion on the scrutiny of UKBA until November when the new Chief Executive would have been in post for a couple of months. The Board noted the appointment of Rob Whiteman as the new Chief Executive, UKBA.</p>
7	<p>A.O.B.</p> <p>The Board Secretariat was exploring options for a possible Board Awayday later in the year.</p>