

ARSTOW

11. Arstow was incorporated in the British Virgin Isles on 16th September 1998, and was later dissolved and re-incorporated in Panama. According to the documentation received from BAE following service of a compulsory notice from the SFO, the personnel involved in Arstow are Alexander Roberts OBE (a UK national), Dr Hugh Thurston (a financial adviser based in Jersey) and Johannes Matt (a trust administrator based in Liechtenstein). In August 2007 the SFO interviewed a senior BAE employee, Allan McDonald, who was the marketing manager responsible for the South African campaign until he left BAE in early 1999. Mr McDonald stated that Arstow was partly used by BAE to make commission payments to Fana Hlongwane, who had been special adviser to Joe Modise (Minister of Defence 1994-1999) and Stella Sigcau (Minister for Public Enterprises 1994-9 and Minister for Public Works 1999-2006) until some time in 1999. I consider this arrangement to be highly suspicious, not least because Fana Hlongwane was a