

## **Answers to Questions not reached in Plenary 12 November 2002**

[R] signifies that the Member has declared an interest.

[W] signifies that the question was tabled in Welsh.

### **Questions to the First Minister**

#### **‘A Winning Wales’**

**Q13 Christine Chapman:** Will the First Minister make a statement of progress on the implementation of ‘A Winning Wales’? (OAQ20105)

**The First Minister (Rhodri Morgan):** Implementation of ‘A Winning Wales’ is now well underway and considerable progress has been made against all 71 action points in the plan. Although it is still early days, there are encouraging signs that we are making progress in transforming the economy of Wales. The Economic Development Committee discussed a half-yearly progress report at its meeting on 31 October 2002. A full annual report on progress will be published in early summer 2003.

#### **Comisiwn yr Arglwydd Richard**

**C14 Owen John Thomas:** Pa drafodaethau sydd wedi bod rhwng y Prif Weinidog ac Ysgrifennydd Gwladol newydd Cymru ynghylch comisiwn yr Arglwydd Richard ar bwerau'r Cynulliad? (OAQ20121) [W]

**Y Prif Weinidog:** Cafwyd un drafodaeth fer a chyffredinol iawn ar y mater hwn. Comisiwn annibynnol ydyw, ac ni fyddai'n briodol imi nac i Ysgrifennydd Gwladol Cymru geisio rhagweld ei ganfyddiadau.

#### **The Richard Commission**

**Q14 Owen John Thomas:** What discussions has the First Minister had with the new Secretary of State for Wales regarding Lord Richard's commission on Assembly powers? (OAQ20121) [W]

**The First Minister:** One such brief discussion has taken place in very general terms. The commission operates independently, and it is neither for me nor for the Secretary of State for Wales to second-guess its work.

#### **EU Enlargement**

**Q15 John Griffiths:** What discussions has the First Minister had with the UK Government about the implications for Wales of EU enlargement? (OAQ20111)

**The First Minister:** I have had a number of discussions with UK Government colleagues on a wide range of European issues, including the implications of enlargement. Our most recent collective discussion was at the Joint Ministerial Committee on the European Union last month.