

BERMUDA INDEPENDENCE COMMISSION

Terms of Reference

The role of BIC is:

- a) to generate and encourage the widest possible discussion on the pros and cons of Independence in all of its facets;
- b) to distribute information in an effort to generate broader public understanding of the subject;
- c) to promote and organize a national dialogue or debate via the media and public meetings which would include invitees from unions, business organizations, the public, politicians and have the ability to receive oral and written submissions from same;
- d) to collect and collate relevant data regarding Independence;
- e) to identify and procure the requisite services of expert consultants on legal, constitutional, consular (diplomatic and external affairs) and other relevant matters;
- f) to prepare and complete monthly reports of its deliberations and forward these to Cabinet via the Chairperson of BIC; and
- g) to prepare a comprehensive report at the end of its deliberations with reasoned recommendations on the subject of Independence and to submit a report with relevant appendices to the Cabinet.