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To the Chairman of Parliament

The Honorable Dr. L. Richardson

August 25, 2015

Dear Chairperson,

Kindly find enclosed questions directed to the Minister of Public Health, Social Development and Labor.

Please forward these to the Minister concerned with the usual expediency.

Respectfully

Sarah A. Wescot- Williams Member of Parliament (DP)



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To
The Minister of Public Health, Social Development and Labor, a.i.,
The Honorable Rita Bourne-Gumbs
Governments Administration Bldg.
Philipsburg
St. Maarten

Philipsburg, August 24, 2015

Honorable Minister Bourne-Gumbs,

Approximately 7 weeks ago, the Social Economic Council pointed out some serious flaws in 2 national decrees, containing general measures that regulate certain premiums and pay-outs, collected and disbursed by the SZV.

These flaws, if confirmed, currently have and will in the future have, serious consequences for all parties, viz. SZV, government, employers and employees. Most consequences are negative for the parties mentioned above.

To mention, retroactive collection from employers and employees, with all consequences thereof, such as corrections to tax filings etc. and the potential that SZV has to recalculate premiums it already collected.

I therefore ask that you inform Parliament within the shortest possible time of the action that your ministry has taken to correct a/o undo the serious flaws as pointed out by the SER and avoid that this situation is further aggravated by inaction from government's side.

Respectfully,

Sarah A. Wescot- Williams

Member of Parliament (DP)