

no. 7.

PARLIAMENT OF SINT MAARTEN

Draft Motion

The Parliament of Sint Maarten in its meeting of today, December 14th 2016; ^{15th 2016}

Considering:

- The motion of the Parliament of St. Maarten dated September 17, 2015 regarding English as the first official and “mother tongue” language.
- That the government has declared that the plan to establish English as the first official language requires a considerable investment;
- That the aforementioned motion calls for a plan of approach, which shall include the following components;
- - *Establishing English as the first and “mother tongue” language for Sint Maarten.*
 - *Gradual introduction of the use of the mother tongue as the first official language.*
 - *A plan for the civil service.*
- That the draft budget 2017 for the country does not provide an allocation of funds to develop the plan of approach;
- That government's policy drafting capacity across the board is heavily taxed;
- That this initiative will strand if no concrete action is undertaken;

Resolves:

- To instruct the government of St. Maarten to allocate f 500.000 in the first budget amendment 2017, due by May 15 of the same year, to the development of the plan: English as the first official language of St. Maarten.

And goes over to the order of the day

Copies of this motion to be sent to:
The Government of St. Maarten
The Governor of St. Maarten





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Friday, December 16, 2016, Public Meeting no. 7
Voting list

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NO.	NAME	VOOR/FOR	TEGEN/AGAINST
1.	drs. Rodolphe E. Samuel	✓	
2.	<i>Sidhant M. Bijlani</i>	✓	
3.	<i>Chanel E. Brauwer</i>	✓	
4.	<i>Clarek M.M. Connor</i>	✓	
5.	<i>Christophe T. Emmanuel</i>	✓	
6.	<i>Arduell M.R. Trien</i>	✓	
7.	<i>Silveria E. Jacobs</i>	✓	
8.	<i>Emil Lee</i>	✓	
9.	<i>Tamara E. Leonard</i>	✓	
10.	<i>Silvio J. Makser</i>	✓	
11.	<i>William V. Marlin</i>	✓	
12.	<i>Franklin A. Meyers</i>	✓	
13.	<i>Frans G. Richardson</i>	✓	
14.	<i>Sarah A. West-Williams</i>	✓	
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