

Motion 7

Draft Motion

The Parliament of St. Maarten, in its meeting of today, April 17th, 2013,

CONSIDERING:

- The ongoing public debate on issues surrounding the draft 2013 budget;
- That government and RGM – a joint venture of RBC Merchant Bank Ltd., Guardian Life of the Caribbean Ltd. and Sagicor Life Inc.– signed a development agreement on November 5 2003 to build a new Government Administration building on an area of 10,376 square meters on Pond Island;
- That after 10-10-10 the Prime Minister with responsibility for General Affairs is charged with having the new Government Administration building completed and occupied;
- The delay in completion and occupation of the new Government Administration building;
- There's urgency in getting the building completed and ready for occupation by the civil servants within 6 months;
- As it stands now a large sum of taxpayers' money of over Nafls. 865 thousand is paid for the rental of the uncompleted and unoccupied new Government Administration building;
- That RGM took the government to court in an effort to force the government to finish the building and to finally occupy it because the building has begun to deteriorate;

- The original contract for the project assumed a total construction cost of \$12.2 million, but over the course of the years the cost for completion and occupation of the new government administration building has increased to over Nafis. 80.00 million for this unoccupied new government administration building.
- The advice of the CFT about the draft 2013 budget highlighting among other that in view of intended savings on rental costs and the efficiency of one government building the new Government Administration building will have to be completed as soon as possible;
- That any further delay of the completion and occupation of the new Government Administration building does not serve the interests of the taxpayers and particularly that of the civil servants and should not be tolerated any longer!

RESOLVES:

- That the Parliament of St. Maarten calls on the government of St. Maarten in connection with the completion and occupation of the new Government Administration building, to within 60 days,

present Parliament an updated schedule of investment per activity with time lines having an elaborate elucidation with respect to the completion and occupation by the civil servants of the new government administration building.

- Commence within 6 months the building of Blok D and the building of the parking garage on Pond Island;

And goes over to the order of the day.

Copies of this motion to be sent to:

The Governor of Sint Maarten

The Government of Sint Maarten

The Council of Advice of Sint Maarten

The General Audit Chamber of Sint Maarten

The Council for Financial Supervision (CFT)

The Common Civil servants Platform for Consultation (GOA)

MP. Frans Richardson

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STATEN VAN SINT MAARTEN
Wednesday, April 17, 2013 Public Meeting no. 5

Voting list

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NO.	NAME	VOOR/FOR	TEGEN/AGAINST
1.	drs. R.E. Samuel		
2.	G.C. Pantophlet		
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11.	Silvia V. Meyers-Olivacce		
12.	Jules C. James		
13.	Louie E. Laveist		
14.	Gracita R. Arrindell		
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