

## Parliament of Sint Maarten

## Staten van Sint Maarten

To the Hon. Minister of Tourism, Economic Affairs, Transport and Telecommunication
Mr. C.M.M. Connor
Government Administration Building
Philipsburg

UV/132/2014-2015

Philipsburg, January 19, 2015

Re: Questions MP's

Hon. Minister Connor,

Herewith I submit to you questions by the Members of Parliament, Mrs. Sarah A. Wescot-Williams, Mr. George C. Pantophlet and Ms. Silveria E. Jacobs pursuant to article 62 of the Constitution of Sint Maarten and article 69 of the Rules of Order of Parliament.

The letter is self explanatory.

L.J. Richardson, MD

President of Parliament



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To

The Chairman of Parliament,

The Honorable Dr. Lloyd Richardson

Parliament Building.

December 16th 2014

Honorable Chairman,

In the past weeks, the government-owned company, the Harbor Group of Companies has frequently been in the news. Sometimes positively so, but lately mostly controversial.

We need only mention some cases that the Harbor Group or one of its subsidiaries has been publicly associated with.

- 1. The head tax issue
- 2. The Deher's marina project
- 3. The Causeway (TOT payment)
- The Crane issue
- 5. Government dividend and payment for the FCCA conference.

As the shareholder of this government owned company, it would behoove the government to urgently enlighten Parliament as to the width and depth of these issues and the past and future impacts of such for the company and the country as a whole.

We therefore propose to Parliament that the Minister of TEATT, shareholder representative for the Harbor Group of Companies urgently be invited to inform and explain Parliament on the above issues, along with his colleague the Minister of Finance (the TOT and dividend/concession payment)



## Questions:

- 1. What was the outcome between the Harbor and Bobby's Marina?
- 2. Has the Government given the Harbor Group of Companies the exclusive right of development for the area that the company claims in its case against the Deher's development?
- 3. When will Parliament receive the Harbor's 2013 financials?
- 4. What did Government promise to contribute to the FCCA conference and what did Government actually contribute?
- 5. Please provide Parliament with a financial account of the FCCA conference held on St. Maarten.

We request that these answers be provided orally and request that Parliament establishes a date soonest for the presentation of these answers by the ministers.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Wescot-Williams, MP (DP)

George Pantophlet, MP (NA)

Silveria Jacobs, MP (NA)