



Parliament of Sint Maarten

Staten van Sint Maarten

To the Hon. Minister of General Affairs
Mr. W.V. Marlin
p/a Council of Ministers
Philipsburg

UV/152/2016-2017

Philipsburg, February 24, 2017

Re: Questions from MP S.A. Wescot-Williams regarding the draft motion of December 15, 2016

Hon. Minister Marlin,

Herewith I submit to you questions posed by Member of Parliament, Mrs. Sarah A. Wescot-Williams pursuant to article 62 of the Constitution and article 69 of the Rules of Order of the Parliament of Sint Maarten.

The letter is self-explanatory.

Yours truly,

drs. R.E. Samuel
Vice-President of Parliament



Parliament of Sint Maarten

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Chairperson of Parliament of Sint Maarten

Philipsburg, February 22nd, 2017

Dear Chairperson:

I hereby submit to you questions directed to the Minister of General Affairs, Mr. William Marlin regarding the draft motion of December 15th 2016 and kindly request that these be forwarded.

Respectfully,


Sarah A. Wescot-Williams
Member of Parliament of Sint Maarten

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Minister of General Affairs
The Honorable Mr. William Marlin

Philipsburg, February 22nd, 2017

Dear Minister Marlin :

Please finds attached a copy of the motion of December 15th, 2016, unanimously adopted by the Parliament of Sint Maarten.

As per same motion, the deadline set by Parliament to be informed of the execution of this motion was February 1st, 2017.

Could you apprise Parliament of the status of the subject matter and government's actions in this regard?

Respectfully



Sarah A. Wescot-Williams
Member of Parliament of Sint Maarten

no. 4

PARLIAMENT OF SINT MAARTEN

Draft Motion

The Parliament of Sint Maarten in its meeting of today, December 14th 2016;

Considering:

- That the screening of candidate ministers for St. Maarten presently takes place on the basis of the national decree dated May 22, 2013 (L.B-13/0442) , establishing:
 - Guidelines regarding the incompatibilities a/o potential conflict of interests;
 - The integrity declaration;
 - The questionnaire for candidate ministers.
- That following one's appointment as minister, the national ordinance Integrity of Ministers (AB 2010, no. 22) applies, governing disclosure etc. by ministers during and at the end of his/her tenure.
- That many changes have taken place since October 10, 2010 as far as filling the 7 ministerial posts of government.
- The the perception exists that on the basis of the current screening procedure, there is potentially room for subjectivity by those agencies involved in the screening of candidate ministers.
- That in any case, the screening of candidate ministers, in the opinion of the parliament, should be regulated by national ordinance;
- That a draft ordinance to this effect is available in the government bureaucracy;


Resolves:

- To instruct the government of St. Maarten to present the(a) draft legislation regulating integrity of ministers, which should includes the screening, disclosure etc of the (candidate) ministers to Parliament for Parliament's scrutiny, following the necessary legislative steps and by February 1, 2017 inform the Parliament of the results of this action.

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
The Kingdom Government
The Government of Curacao
The Government of Aruba
The Parliament of Aruba
The Parliament of Curaçao

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PARLIAMENT OF SINT MAARTEN
Friday, December 16, 2016, Public Meeting no. 7
Voting list

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2.	<i>Sidhanth M. Bylani</i>		
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4.	<i>Clarek M. M. Connor</i>		
5.	<i>Christophe T. Emmanuel</i>		
6.	<i>Arduwell M.R. Irian</i>		
7.	<i>Silveria E. Jacobs</i>		
8.	<i>Emil Lee</i>		
9.	<i>Tamara E. Leonard</i>		
10.	<i>Silvio J. Matser</i>		
11.	<i>William V. Marku</i>		
12.	<i>Franklin A. Meyers</i>		
13.	<i>Frans G. Richardson</i>		
14.	<i>Sarah A. West-Williams</i>		
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