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To the Hon. Minister of Public Health, Social Development and Labor
Mr. E. Lee
p/a Council of Ministers
Philipsburg

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Philipsburg, June 22, 2016


Re: Questions from MP L.M. Marlin-Romeo regarding the First Aid and CPR policy

Hon. Minister Lee,

Herewith I submit to you questions posed by Member of Parliament, Mrs. Leona M. Marlin-Romeo 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,


S. A. Wescot-Williams
President of Parliament

From The Desk of Independent Member of Parliament

Leona Marlin-Romeo

To the President of Parliament
Hon. MP Sarah Wescott-Williams

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Honorable Madam President,

Reading a news article the other day I couldn't help but wonder if someone had CPR knowledge if the outcome of the situation would have been different. And then it lead me to wonder what is in place.

I'd like to inquire through the president of parliament, to the Minister of Health, Mr. Emil Lee, what policy if any, is currently in place with regards to First Aid and CPR? Has a policy been established to ensure that persons who work with the public are First Aid certified. For eg. Police Officers, Teachers, Taxi Drivers, Tour operators, to name a few. Is the Minister collaborating with the various health institutions and uniformed groups to ensure that all of these persons have received First Aid and CPR training in order to receive their certification? I'd also like to know if provisions have been made to outfit facilities with Automated External Defibrillators (AED's).

We have large numbers of visitors to our island on a daily basis, in addition to the various public events our residents attend. I believe persons that interact with the public should be trained and certified to handle emergencies. With the traffic situation on the island, these persons might just save lives. This policy that if not already established should be regulated so that it is mandatory to have at least 2 certified First Responders on hand in every organization.

I look forward to receiving this information regarding my inquiry from the Minister within short.

Hoping to have informed sufficiently,

Respectfully,


MP Leona Marlin-Romeo
Independent Member