



# Parliament of Sint Maarten

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To the Hon. Minister of Finance  
Mr. P.F.M. Geerlings  
Administration Building  
Clem Labega Square  
**Philipsburg**

UV/082/2019-2020

Philipsburg, October 29, 2019

Re: Questions from MP C.A.H. Peterson regarding PJIA State of Affairs

Hon. Minister Geerlings,

Herewith I submit to you questions posed by Member of Parliament, Mr. C.A.H. Peterson 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,

W.V. Marlin  
Chairman of Parliament



MP. Claude "Chacho" Peterson

Member of the Parliament of  
Sint Maarten

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Attn: Mr. William MARLIN  
President of Parliament  
Wilhelminastraat 1,  
Philipsburg, Sint Maarten

Philipsburg, October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

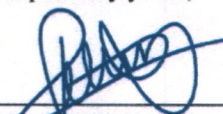
**SUBJECT:** Questions (second round) on PJIA State of Affairs (OV 34)

Dear President of Parliament,

Please find attached questions directed to the Minister of Finance, Mr. Perry Geerlings, regarding the State of Affairs at the Princes Juliana International Airport (PJIA), listed with ( IS/1371/2018-2019).

I kindly request that these be forwarded to the Minister.

Respectfully yours,

  
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Claude "Chacho" Peterson  
Member of Parliament  
SMCP Faction



# Claude "Chacho" Peterson

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## Member of the Parliament of Sint Maarten

**To: the care-take Minister of Finance  
Mr. Perry F.M. Geerlings  
Sint Maarten**

Philipsburg, October 28, 2019

**Subject: Questions (second round) on PJIA State of Affairs (OV 34)**

Dear Minister Geerlings,

In anticipation of the urgent reconvening of the public meeting OV 34 on the state of affairs at the Princess Juliana International Airport (PJIA) (IS/1371/2018-2019) on Monday October 21, 2019, I hereby send you my questions for the second round in writing.

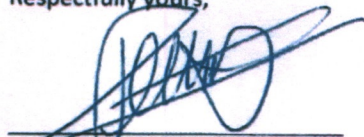
**Questions:**

1. What is the present financial situation of the airport? Specifically as it relates to liquidity to pay personnel (payroll), service providers, contractors, loans and taxes and social premiums for the coming months?
2. What is the current status of payments to the bondholders? Is PJIA in default? If yes, to what degree and what are the consequences?
3. What is the current status of the insurance payout based on the court case? How much has PJIA received to date? How much is pending? What are the next steps to finalize this matter?
4. In an article in The Daily Herald on October 24, it is stated:  
*"The Bondholders concerned about instability. Geerlings said the bondholders are concerned about the motion of no confidence against five ministers which was passed by Parliament on September 26, and whether the incoming interim government will honour the agreements with the World Bank and the EIB or instead seek to reverse them. The motion of no confidence also instructed the caretaker Council of Ministers not to enter into any contracts with third parties, whether collectively or individually. The World Bank and the EIB are considered third parties."*

What steps have you, the care-taker government and the National Recovery Project Bureau (NRPB) and PJIA taken to remedy this situation?

I would like to receive the responses to the above questions in writing as soon as possible.

Respectfully yours,



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Claude "Chacho" Peterson  
Member of Parliament  
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cc. Prime Minister, Mr. W. Smith  
Minister of TEATT, Mr. S. Johnson  
Director of NRPB, Mr. C. Connor  
Governor of Sint Maarten, Mr. E. Holiday