



# Parliament of Sint Maarten

## Staten van Sint Maarten

To the Hon. Minister of Tourism, Economic Affairs, Transport and Telecommunication  
Mr. R. Violenus  
Administration Building  
Clem Labega Square  
**Philipsburg**

UV/103/2019-2020

Philipsburg, November 19, 2019

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

Hon. Minister Violenus,

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





Claude "Chacho" Peterson  
Member of the Parliament of  
Sint Maarten

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To: The President of Parliament  
Mr. William Marlin  
Sint Maarten

Philipsburg, November 18, 2019

**Subject: Questions to the interim Minister of Tourism, Economic Affairs, Transport & Telecommunication (TEATT).**

Dear President of Parliament,

I would like to send the attached questions to the Minister of Tourism, Economic Affairs, Transport & Telecommunication (TEATT) concerning the state of affairs at the Princess Juliana International Airport (PJIA), that I would like to receive further insight on as a Member of Parliament. I would like to receive the responses in writing and to be answered orally in a question hour in accordance with article 69 of the Rules of Order of Parliament.

I thank you in advance for your cooperation in this and trust that this will be handled with urgency.

Respectfully yours,

Claude "Chacho" Peterson  
Member of Parliament  
SMCP Faction





# Claude "Chacho" Peterson

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## Member of the Parliament of Sint Maarten

**To: the interim Minister of Tourism, Economic Affairs,  
Telecommunication and Transportation (TEATT)  
Sint Maarten**

Philipsburg, November 18, 2019

**Subject: Questions to the Minister of Tourism, Economic Affairs, Transport &  
Telecommunication (TEATT) concerning the state of affairs of Princess Juliana International  
Airport (PJIA).**

Dear Minister,

In my oversight role as a Member of Parliament, I pose the following questions to you with the aim of gaining further insight on the state of affairs of the Princess Juliana International Airport (PJIA).

Questions:

1. What is the present financial situation of the airport? Specifically with regards 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 that *"the Bondholder 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 honor 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."*

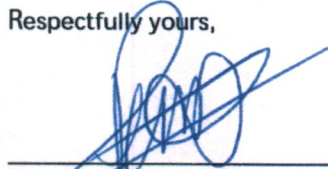
What steps have you, the care-taker government and the National Recovery Project Bureau (NRPB) and PJIA taken to remedy this situation?

5. What is the status of the agreement between Government and the Bond holders with regards to the PJIA reconstruction and liquidity financing? Do the Bond holders require a declaration of Parliament before they will sign?
6. What is the status of the agreement between the Government and the World bank/EIB with regards to the PJIA reconstruction and liquidity financing?

I would like to receive the responses to the above questions in writing and to be answered orally in a question hour in accordance with article 69 of the Rules of Order of Parliament.

I thank you in advance for your cooperation in this and trust that this will be handled with urgency.

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