



# Parliament of Sint Maarten

## Staten van Sint Maarten

To the Hon. Minister of Public Health, Social Development and Labor  
Mr. O.E.C. Ottley  
Government Administration Building  
**Philipsburg**

UV/033/2021-2022

Philipsburg, October 6, 2021

Re: Questions from MP S.A. Wescot-Williams regarding the recommendations of the RIVM on the corona pandemic

Hon. Minister Ottley,

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

Pursuant to article 69a of the Rules of Order, if you are unable to answer the questions within three weeks please notify my person stating the underlying reason. In doing so you can send the answers that you already have and answer the remaining questions in writing within (another period of) three weeks.

The letter is self-explanatory.

Yours truly,

R. Brison  
President of Parliament



# Sarah A. Wescot-Williams

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## Member of Parliament Sint Maarten

To:  
Parliament of Sint Maarten  
Attention: President of Parliament  
Wilhelminastraat #1  
Philipsburg, St. Maarten

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Philipsburg, September 29, 2021

Honorable President of Parliament,

Kindly find attached a letter to the Minister of Public Health, Labor & Social Affairs (VSA), Honorable Omar E.C. Ottley with the request to forward same.

Respectfully,

Sarah A. Wescot-Williams,  
Member of Parliament  
United Democratic (UD) Party



# Sarah A. Wescot-Williams

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## Member of Parliament Sint Maarten

Minister of Public Health, Social Development and Labor (VSA)  
Honorable Omar E.C. Ottley  
Government Administration Building  
Philipsburg, Sint Maarten

Philipsburg, September 29, 2021

Honorable Minister Ottley,

Recent reports suggest that the RIVM has stated that cautions and precautions to St. Maarten regarding the corona pandemic have mostly gone unheeded, despite repeated requests. These reports prompt me to ask the following:

Is the minister aware of these statements by the RIVM?

Does the minister agree with these statements?

What recommendations has the government of St. Maarten not followed?

What consequences has this had for combatting the corona pandemic on the island?

What was the government's reason for not complying with the recommendations of the RIVM?

Has anything been done to rectify this situation?

Kindly provide all communication pertaining to the above between the Ministry and the RIVM .

Sincerely,

Sarah A. Wescot-Williams,  
Member of Parliament  
United Democratic Party