



PRIME MINISTER OF SINT MAARTEN
Minister-President van Sint Maarten

Philipsburg, February 12, 2017

To: All Secretaries General
Department Heads / Heads of Executive Bodies
and other relevant civil servants

Re.: Instruction regarding meetings with Dutch Quartermaster

Recently the Parliament unanimously passed a motion regarding the Integrity Chamber. The motion condemned the formation of a Sint Maarten Integrity Chamber considering that the Constitutional Court found the legislation to establish such a Chamber to be unconstitutional, because it violated the rights of Sint Maarten's citizens. The motion furthermore urged Government not to pursue the establishment of an Integrity Chamber in Sint Maarten and condemned the decision taken by the Dutch Minister of Home Affairs and Kingdom Relations, Mr. Ronald Plasterk, to appoint a Dutch Quartermaster for the Integrity Chamber.

The Council of Ministers has decided to adopt this motion. In accordance with the motion, the necessary preparatory steps are being undertaken to present an overview on the status of and compliance on the recommendations of the integrity matters as reported in the various integrity investigation reports conducted here. In addition, during the upcoming visit to Aruba by the Hon. Prime Minister, Mr. William Marlin, a meeting has been scheduled with Minister Plasterk and this matter will be further further discussed then.

In view of the position of the Council of Ministers on abovementioned matters and the outline of steps to be taken, NO Secretary General, Head of a Department / Executing Body or any other civil servants or person in service of Government is to meet with the recently appointed Dutch Quartermaster, Mr. Hans Leijtens. Full cooperation is expected and no exceptions will be condoned.

In due time you will be informed on any further action to be taken by the Council of Ministers.

Sincerely,



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DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER OF SINT MAARTEN.

Cc. The Governor of Sint Maarten, The Parliament of Sint Maarten, Council of Ministers, Management and Supervisory Board of Directors of the Government owned Companies.

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