

St. Maarten, October 30th 2017

To the Parliament of St. Maarten
To the Governor of St. Maarten
To the Government of St. Maarten
To the Government of the Kingdom

The undersigned 8 (eight) members of Parliament, good for a majority in the Parliament of St. Maarten,

Considering

The island-wide devastation and destruction caused by hurricane Irma, that razed St. Maarten on September 6, 2017;
The need for immediate aid and long term reconstruction funding;
The commitment of the Kingdom government to aid St. Maarten, both short and long term;
The impasse surrounding the disbursement of reconstruction funds from the Netherlands/Dutch Kingdom to St. Maarten;
The welfare of the PEOPLE of St. Maarten and the need to rebuild our social fabric stronger through better housing and social safety nets;
The wide scale need for reconstruction activities;
The reduced income of government due to dwindled economic activity,

Commit

To the principles of integrity, transparency and good governance
To a clear and actionable economic plan developed in cooperation with the community;
Manage the labor market and skill development programs to ensure maximum employment for our people;
To work together to bring about stability, tranquility and hope through fast tracked and sustainable economic development;
To spare the people of St. Maarten any further political uncertainty and any talk of elections during these difficult times;

To amend;

The draft national ordinance Integrity Chamber and include the matters raised in the letter of the Dutch minister for Kingdom Affairs dated October 13, 2017;
To instruct the Justice Minister of St. Maarten to negotiate a mutual agreement with his Dutch counterpart to realize the cooperation as recommended in the same aforementioned letter, a copy herewith attached:

And to ratify this agreement in a formal meeting of Parliament soonest, but no later than November 3rd, 2017.

~~Theodore Heyliger~~

Sarah Wescot

Franklin Meyers

Perry Geerlings

Tamara Leonard

Claret Connor

Chanel Brownbill

Sidharth Bijlani