

Draft Motion

The Parliament of Sint Maarten in its meeting of today, February 4, 2019

Considering:

- That the present coalition government of Sint Maarten, led by Prime Minister Leona Marlin is based on a coalition agreement with the premise of transparency, social dialogue, openness, integrity, and communication with a concentrated focus on rebuilding a vibrant economy restoring a strong social fabric and promoting a resilient sense of community;
- That this Government led by Prime Minister Leona Marlin has failed to live up to the abovementioned premise;
- The failure of the Prime Minister Leona Marlin to act timely upon the request by the Airport for a letter of guarantee to secure the necessary financing to rebuild the airport and its facilities;
- That this failure to act has pressured the airport and the government to entertain discussions and conditions for financing which under normal circumstances would not have been entertained;
- That Prime Minister Leona Marlin lacks in transparency, openness and integrity, which is evident from the fact that the Prime Minister provides information to parliament primarily when called to parliament during meetings requested by opposition parties.
- That Prime Minister Leona Marlin's ability to lead her cabinet in focusing on rebuilding a vibrant economy is in question when the airport is not given the timely attention when such is requested.
- That Prime Minister Leona Marlin has shown no evidence of results of restoring a strong social fabric and promoting a resilient sense of community;
- That Prime Minister Leona Marlin's approach to Kingdom Relations does not echo the sentiments and positions taken by her own coalition and could further threaten the autonomous position of Sint Maarten in the Dutch Kingdom;

- That more than a year after the destruction by Hurricane Irma “not a roof has been repaired” with the Dutch Recovery Funds. So stated by the Dutch General Audit Chamber. (Ruim een jaar na de verwoestende orkaan Irma is op Sint Maarten met het Nederlandse geld voor de wederopbouw ‘nog geen dak op het eiland hersteld’. Dat schrijft de Nederlandse Algemene Rekenkamer”.
- Shared concerns by coalition partner Wescott Williams as reflected in the headline in today’s daily paper of a press release issued by the President of Parliament Wescot-Williams: “Time to Objectively Evaluate World Bank Program and Bottlenecks”

ESTABLISHES:

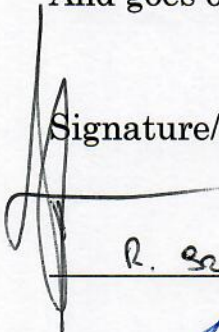
That Prime Minister Leona Marlin has failed to lead her cabinet and by extension Sint Maarten to execute the very same objectives that form the premise of this coalition government.


RESOLVES:


That Prime Minister Leona Marlin no longer enjoys the confidence of the Parliament of Sint Maarten and seeks her immediate discharge as Prime Minister and Minister of General Affairs.

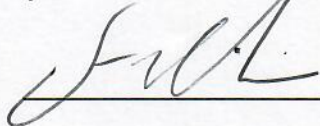
And goes over to the order of the day.

Signature/Signatures


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PARLIAMENT OF SINT MAARTEN

Friday, February 22, 2019, 10.00 hrs.

Continuation urgent Public Meeting no.17

Motion 2

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| NO. | NAME | VOOR/FOR | TEGEN/AGAINST |
|-----|--------------------------|----------|---------------|
| 1. | Sarah A. Wescot-Williams | | ✓ |
| 2. | Sidharth M. Bijlani | | ✓ |
| 3. | Rolando Brison | ✓ | |
| 4. | Chanel E. Brownbill | | ✓ |
| 5. | Egbert J. Doran | ✓ | |
| 6. | Christophe T. Emmanuel | ✓ | |
| 7. | Ardwell M.R. Irion | ✓ | |
| 8. | Silveria E. Jacobs | ✓ | |
| 9. | Tamara E. Leonard | | ✓ |
| 10. | William V. Marlin | ✓ | |
| 11. | Luc F.E. Mercelina | | ✓ |
| 12. | Franklin A. Meyers | | ✓ |
| 13. | Claude A.H. Peterson | | ✓ |
| 14. | Frans G. Richardson | ✓ | |
| 15. | | | |