

Parliament of Sint Maarten

Staten van Sint Maarten

To the Hon. Minister of General Affairs Mr. W.V. Marlin p/a Council of Ministers Philipsburg

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Philipsburg, June 23, 2016

Re: Questions from MP T.E. Heyliger regarding diplomatic passports

Hon. Minister Marlin,

Herewith I submit to you questions posed by Member of Parliament, Mr. Theodore E. Heyliger 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,

SA. Wescot-Williams President of Parliament



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The President of Parliament Sarah A. Wescot-Willams Present

Subject: Diplomatic Passport

Honorable President;

Transparency International is a global movement with one vision: a world in which government, business, civil society and the daily lives of people are free of corruption.

In December 2013 the government of St. Maarten signed an agreement with Transparency International to undertake an assessment to explore the country's weaknesses and strengths with regard to integrity and good governance.

The main purpose of a Transparency International assessment of a National Integrity System (NIS) is to assess the systemic defenses against corruption of a country and formulate a set of recommendations to be used by all actors within society to promote integrity.

Hence through you Madame President I pose the following queries to the Governor Mr. Eugene B. Holiday with reference to the Diplomatic Passport:

- How many persons enjoy a diplomatic passport on Sint Maarten?
- Are there past Members of Parliament and/or Ministers still in the possession of a diplomatic passport, - and if so, how many?

Thanking you in advance for your kind cooperation, and looking forward to a favorable response, I remain,

Respectfully,

MP Theodore E. Heyliger

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