To the Hon. Minister of Finance
Mr. P.F.M. Geerlings
Administration Building
Clem Labega Square
Philipsburg

UV/329/2018-2019

Philipsburg, May 28, 2019

Re: Request from MP F.G. Richardson about tax contribution

Hon. Minister Geerlings,

Herewith I submit to you a request from Member of Parliament, Ms. F.G. Richardson 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,

S.A. Wescot-Williams
President of Parliament
President of Parliament of St. Maarten  
Honorable S.W. Wescot-Williams  
Wilhelminastraat #1  
Philipsburg  
St. Maarten  

May 23, 2019

RE: Letter request information from the Minister of Finance

Mrs. Wescot-Williams,

Please find attached a letter directed to the Minister of Finance dated May 23rd, 2019. Kindly forward this request on behalf of the USP Faction in Parliament to the relevant minister.

Sincerely Yours,

F.G. Richardson  
Member of Parliament of St. Maarten  
USP Faction
Minister of Finance – Government of St. Maarten
Honorable P. Geerlings
Government Administration Building
Soualiga Road 1
Greatbay
St. Maarten

May 23, 2019

Minister Geerlings,

In an effort to obtain an overview of the tax contribution made by St. Maarten taxpayers receiving a pension or pensions, the USP Faction in Parliament hereby requests the following information:

1. The number of persons collecting a pension from APS, APNA – St. Maarten residents-, and Government’s Treasury, in one way or the other, in 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, until April 2019;
2. The number of persons collecting AOV and AWW 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019;
3. The amount of Wage Tax withheld from pensions paid to pensioned (former) civil servants or their widows/widowers or minor children in 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and until April 2019;
4. The amount of Income Tax paid by pensioners (former) civil servants or their widows/widowers or minor children in 2015, 2016, 2017;
5. The number of persons on St. Maarten, currently filing their income tax in St. Maarten, that collect an income from any pension plan, savings plan and any other similar sources which were established during the period these persons were working and for which cost were associated such as premium, finance and administrative expenses etc.;
6. The amount of wage tax and or income tax or any other income related tax which is collected by government based on income collected by St. Maarten Taxpayers who receive an income from former employment or any other savings or pension plan for 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and April 2019.
If exact numbers and amounts are not available, your best estimates can be provided as interim answers.

Thank you in advance for the information and the USP faction urges you to submit this information prior to the continuation of the 2019 budget debate in Parliament.

F.R. Richardson
Member of Parliament of St. Maarten
USP Faction