

Parliament of Sint Maarten

Staten van Sint Maarten

To the Hon. Minister of Justice Mr. E.J. Doran
Administration Building
Clem Labega Square
Philipsburg

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Philipsburg, November 19, 2019

Re: Questions from MP C.A.H. Peterson regarding the Korps Politie Sint maarten concerning the "Dienstongevallen"

Hon. Minister Doran,

Herewith I submit to you questions posed by Member of Parliament, Mr. C.A.H. Peterson 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,

W.V. Marlin

Chairman of Parliament



Claude "Chacho" Peterson

Member of the Parliament of Sint Maarten

To: the President of Parliament Mr. William Marlin Sint Maarten

Philipsburg, November 18, 2019



Subject: Questions to the interim Ministers of Justice

Dear President of Parliament,

I would like to send the attached questions to the Interim Minister of Justice concerning the Korps Politie Sint Maarten (KPSM) regarding the "Dienstongevallen", that I would like to receive further insight on as a Member of Parliament. I would like to receive the responses in writing and to be answered orally in a question hour in accordance with article 69 of the Rules of Order of Parliament.

I thank you in advance for your cooperation in this and trust that this will be handled with urgency.

Respectfully yours

Claude "Chacho" Peterson Member of Parliament SMCP Faction



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Member of the Parliament of Sint Maarten

To: the interim Minister of Justice Sint Maarten

Philipsburg, November 18, 2019

Subject: Questions to the Interim Minister of Justice

Dear Minister.

In my oversight role as a Member of Parliament, I pose the following questions to you with the aim of gaining further insight on the Korps Politie Sint Maarten (KPSM).

Questions:

KPSM "dienstongevallen". There are some serious complaints on the negligence of Police Officers that have been injured on the job. Neglected cases that remain unresolved for years.

- 1. How many cases are there related to "dienstongevallen", that were sent to the Ministry of Justice?
- 2. How many cases were brought over before 10-10-10?
- 3. How many were resolved, and how many remain unresolved?
- 4. For those that are unresolved, what is the status of the individuals/cases?
- 5. Were there any continuity after cases were transferred over to country Sint Maarten? If not why not?
- 6. Did their families receive compensation? Are they on disability?
- 7. When did these "dienstongevallen" happen, specifically which year and who was the Minister in charge and the Chief of Police in charge? Was there any continuity in these cases? If yes which cases?
- 8. What are the procedures when an accident on the job occurs?
- 9. How long does it to take to finalize a case regarding a "dienstongeval"?
- 10. What is the role of SZV in a "dienstongeval"?

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- 11. What is the role of the Police Unions in a "dienstongeval"?
- 12. How many cases have been reported and resolved by the police union concerning "dienstongevallen" from paid members?
- 13. Which entity is responsible for regulating the paper work once a "dienstongeval" occurs?
- 14. Has there been any court cases regarding "dienstongevallen"? If yes, how many has government won, how many lost?
- 15. What is in place now to protect those individuals who have been injured on duty? Are they properly insured?
- 16. How many ministerial decisions have been given for the mentioned cases and how many are pending? For those pending, when will they be resolved and how much longer will it take?
- 17. Has the Ombudsman contacted the Ministry of Justice about the matter of "dienstongevallen"? If yes, what was the discussion about, and has the issues of the Ombudsman concerning this matter been resolved?

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Respectfully yours,

Claude "Chacho" Peterson Member of Parliament

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