

DRAFT MOTION
THE PARLIAMENT OF ST. MAARTEN IN ITS MEETING OF JUNE 18, 2020

motion #1

CONSIDERING:

That a majority of the Parliament of St. Maarten is of the opinion that the decolonization of the Netherlands Antilles was not brought to complete materialization;

That the Dutch Government repeatedly has taken the stance that the structure of the Kingdom of the Netherlands is a voluntary one and that this structure complies with United Nations' charters and resolutions with respect to granting a full measure of self-government to NSGT, which applied to the Netherlands Antilles and Suriname at the time;

That at the Kingdom Conference of 2011, the four Governments of the Dutch Kingdom agreed to pursue an amendment to the Kingdom Charter to grant Curacao and St. Maarten the right to unilaterally secede from the Kingdom;

That the Kingdom Government has written to the Prime Ministers of the Countries of Aruba, Curacao and St. Maarten to engage in dialogue regarding the future of the Kingdom;

The motion of the Parliament of St. Maarten dated May 20, 2020

RESOLVES

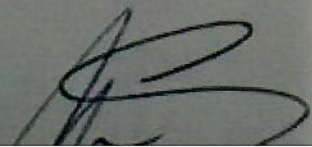
To prepare a roadmap of actions to be undertaken, beginning with a clear position regarding our status as a constituent country of the Kingdom of the Netherlands that should include a clear position of St. Maarten regarding its political status and the steps to be taken if this status is found to not be in conformity with the true aspirations of the people of St. Maarten;

To utilize all means available to Parliament, include its right to champion the interest of the country before the Kingdom Government and the Dutch Parliament to present St. Maarten's case that the charter of the Kingdom does not grant the Caribbean countries a full measure of self-government;

To call on the Government of St. Maarten to initiate a Kingdom conference and follow up on the decisions of the Kingdom conference of 2011;

To call upon the Government of St. Maarten to explore the avenues available to St. Maarten if the Kingdom Government is found not be open to dialogue on the position of St. Maarten

And goes over to the order of the day,



Copies of this motion to be sent to:

The Government of St. Maarten

The Parliaments of Curacao and Aruba

The Government of the Netherlands

The First and Second Chambers of the Netherlands

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PARLIAMENT OF SINT MAARTEN

Thursday, June 18, 2020

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Voting list

NO.	NAME	VOOR/FOR	TEGEN/AGAINST
1.	Rolando Brison		✓
2.	Akeem E. Arrindell	✓	
3.	Sidharth M. Bijlani		✓
4.	Claudius A. Buncamper	—	
5.	Solange L. Duncan		✓
6.	Christophe T. Emmanuel	✓	
7.	Melissa D. Gumbs	✓	
8.	Grisha S. Heyliger-Marten		✓
9.	William V. Marlin		✓
10.	Omar E.C. Ottley	—	
11.	George C. Pantophlet		✓
12.	Raeyhen A. Peterson	✓	
13.	Hyacinth L. Richardson		✓
14.	Angelique J.G. Romou		✓
15.	Sarah A. Wesot-Williams	✓	

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