

### Parliament of Sint Maarten

### Staten van Sint Maarten

To the Hon. Minister of Public Health, Social Development and Labor Mr. R. Panneflek
Government Administration Building
Philipsburg

UV/339/2019-2020

Philipsburg, June 23, 2020

Re: Questions from MP C.A. Buncamper regarding the Towers at Mullet Bay

Hon. Minister Panneflek,

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

R. Brison

President of Parliament



# Claudius A. Buncamper BSc.

## Member of the Parliament of Sint Maarten

Philipsburg, June 19, 2020

President of Parliament Parliament of Sint Maarten Wilhelminastraat 1 Philipsburg, St. Maarten

Subject: Questions for Minister of VSA

Dear Honorable President of Parliament:

Pursuant to article 69 of the Rules of Order of Parliament, I hereby request that you forward the attached questions to the Minister of VSA, the Honorable Minister Richard Panneflek. Thank you in advance.

Respectfully,

Claudius A. Buncamper Member of Parliament

Faction Leader, United St. Maarten Party

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#### Member of the Parliament of Sint Maarten

Minister of VSA Mr. Richard J.J. Panneflek Government Administration Building Soualiga Boulevard #1 St. Maarten

Ref: Questions regarding the Towers at Mullet Bay

Philipsburg June 19th 2020

Honorable Minister Panneflek,

I have received information through the employees working at The Towers at Mullet Bay, a timeshare owner and other reliable sources, that the workers at The Towers at Mullet Bay are being paid 50% of their salaries since March 2020. The property was damaged by Hurricane Irma and Maria in September 2017. Since then, up to February 2020, the workers were paid their full salaries.

- 1. Has the Towers at Mullet Bay applied for financial salary assistance through the SRRP plan? If so, was their request granted?
- 2. Based on which existing law or policy has the management of the Towers of Mullet Bay been able to decide to decrease the workers' salaries to 50% from March 2020?
- 3. Was special permission granted by the government to allow such or is the Towers in gross violation of the labor laws on the island?
- 4. Isn't the Towers obligated to pay the full salary of the employees unless mutually agreed upon? Must a signed document be the underlying document for such?
- 5. What's the government planning on doing in such cases when these types of abuse is encountered?
- 6. Did the Towers apply for dismissal of any employees? If yes how many?

Respectfully,

Claudius A. Buncamper Member of Parliament

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