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Member of the Parliament of Sint Maarten

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President of Parliament Parliament of Sint Maarten Wilhelmina straat 1 Philipsburg, St. Maarten

Subject: Questions for Minister of TEATT

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 TEATT, the Honorable Minister Ludmilla de Weever.

Thank you in advance.

Respectfully,

Claudius A. Buncamper Member of Parliament

Faction Leader, United St. Maarten Party



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Minister of Tourism, Economy, Aviation, Traffic & Telecommunication
Ms. Ludmilla de Weever
Government Administration Building
Soualiga Boulevard #1
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Ref: Questions regarding the Economic way forward

Philipsburg September 10, 2020

Honorable Minister De Weever,

On August 25th 2020 various MP's requested a meeting of parliament with the Ministers of TEATT, VSA and Finance to ask pertinent questions regarding the way forward planned by the various ministers. This request was registered under IS 1147/ZJ 2019-2020. Unfortunately, the urgency of said request hasn't been underscored and I have therefor decided to submit my questions to you in writing as time is not on our side. I believe that in order to make proper decisions at a parliamentary level it is of utmost import to understand the position and strategy of the government.

In light of the difficult times ahead and the economic diversifications we speak about I have decided to pose the following questions;

- 1. Where is the economic recovery plan?
- 2. Is there a formal or informal economic recovery committee? If so, who comprises this committee and which areas of expertise do these persons have?
- 3. If the financing is obtained, is there a plan to prioritize and execute the capital and/or structural investments? If so can we receive said plan?
- 4. Are any facilities being created to attract investments?
 - If so what are these and what do they entail?
 - Which economic activities are we focusing on?
- 5. Cruise lines have been telling St. Maarten for years to diversify the product, move towards experiences rather than selling merchandise. What are the developments as it pertains to this recommendation?
- 6. When can we expect cruise ships to return to our shores and to what degree?
- 7. The world economy has changed. What is being developed at our ports of entry airport and Harbor as alternative revenue streams?
- 8. Will Front Street be changed into a supporting aspect of our destination's culture and heritage, instead of just a jewelry, perfume and t-shirt location?

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Thanking you in advance for your usual attention and understanding.

Respectfully,

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To the Hon. Minister of Tourism, Economic Affairs, Transport and Telecommunication Ms. L.N.L de Weever Government Administration Building Philipsburg

UV/003/2020-2021

Philipsburg, September 15, 2020

Re: Questions from MP C.A. Buncamper regarding the Economic way forward

Hon. Minister de Weever,

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,

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President of Parliament