



Parliament of Sint Maarten

Staten van Sint Maarten

To the Hon. Minister of Finance
Mr. A.M.R. Irion
Government Administration Building
Philipsburg

UV/031/2021-2022

Philipsburg, October 6, 2021

Re: Questions from MP S.A. Wescot-Williams regarding the draft 2022 budget and approved 2021 budget

Hon. Minister Irion,

Herewith I submit to you questions posed by Member of Parliament, MP Mrs. S.A. Wescot-Williams, according to article 62 of the Constitution and Article 69 of the Rules of Order of the Parliament of Sint Maarten.

Pursuant to article 69a of the Rules of Order, if you are unable to answer the questions within three weeks please notify my person stating the underlying reason. In doing so you can send the answers that you already have and answer the remaining questions in writing within (another period of) three weeks.

The letter is self-explanatory.

Yours truly,

R. Brison
President of Parliament



Sarah A. Wescot-Williams

Member of Parliament Sint Maarten

To:
Parliament of Sint Maarten
Attention: President of Parliament
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Philipsburg, St. Maarten

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Philipsburg, September 29, 2021

Dear Honorable President of Parliament,

I hereby submit to you questions directed to Minister of Finance, Honorable Ardwell M.R. Irion

I kindly ask that these be forwarded.

Respectfully,

Sarah A. Wescot-Williams,
Member of Parliament
United Democratic (UD) Party



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Member of Parliament Sint Maarten

Minister of Finance
Honorable Ardwel M.R. Irion
Government Administration Building
Philipsburg, Sint Maarten

Philipsburg, September 29, 2021

Honorable Minister Irion,

Several weeks ago in a meeting of Parliament you confidently stated that the draft 2022 budget would reach the Parliament by the date prescribed in the constitution of St. Maarten, that being no later than September 1st.

During the opening of the current Parliamentary year, we learned from the Governor's presentation that the 2022 budget will reach the Parliament in the month of November. No further explanation was given as to this unconstitutional delay.

Please provide answers to the following questions:

Why is the draft budget 2022 delayed until November 2021?

Are there any commitments made from the implementation agendas that will affect the budget 2022?

If so, what are these commitments?

Will there be any financing for the COHO in the 2022 budget? If so, what are these?

Has the CFT received the approved 2021 budget? If so, has the CFT advised regarding the approved budget? What is the advice?

Are you still of the opinion that a delayed budget is ground for declaring that a finance minister does not have the confidence of Parliament?

Will you attempt to get the draft budget 2022 to the Parliament before November 2021? If so, when?

I look forward to your prompt response and remain,



Sarah A. Wescot-Williams,
Member of Parliament
United Democratic Party