



Honorable Mr. Christophe Emmanuel
Member of Parliament
Wilhelminastraat #1
Philipsburg, Sint Maarten
(Also sent via e-mail)

Ref no.: IC-GEN/21.027

Re: Request for opinion on Ballast Nedam vis-à-vis PJIA

Philipsburg, August 13, 2021

Honorable MP Emmanuel,

The Integrity Chamber has received your letter, dated July 22, 2021, with ref: '*Opinion on Ballast Nedam vis-à-vis PJIA*' via email. An email confirming receipt was sent to you on July 23, 2021.

The Integrity Chamber wishes to thank you for reaching out with your concerns and applauds all efforts to ensure integrity is upheld within government and its entities. It is important that we work together to maintain a standard of integrity for the leadership of Sint Maarten, both in the present and for future generations.

With regard to your request, the Integrity Chamber regrets to inform you that rendering an opinion does not fall within the scope of its assigned tasks. However, the Integrity Chamber can be asked to provide an advice or proposal in accordance with Article 16, third paragraph, of the *National Ordinance Integrity Chamber*. This request can be made by the Prime Minister, the responsible Minister, or Parliament (as a body, not individual members).

Alternatively, a notification of suspected misconduct can be filed with the Integrity Chamber, pursuant to Articles 19 and 20 of the *National Ordinance Integrity Chamber*. A notification can be filed by anyone and, with enough grounds, can lead to an investigation of the suspected misconduct. The notification form can be downloaded or submitted via the official website of the Integrity Chamber at:

www.integritychamber.sx/file-a-notification/

If you have any questions or would like to discuss the options above, you can contact us via: info@integritychamber.sx.

Sincerely,

H.W. (Rian) Vogels
President