

One St. Maarten People Party

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Ministry of Tourism, Economic Affairs **Traffic & Telecommunication** The Government Administration Building Clem Labega Square Philipsburg, St. Maarten

Honourable Minister Mr. Ted Richardson

Dear Minister Richardson,

We have learnt via the media that the PJIA NV bought the property of Turtle Pier for the amount of U.S. \$ 2,750,000.00 in 2013 and that it was appraised by two local appraisal companies. Indications are that the airport is in the process of purchasing the entire strip alongside the airport run way for future expansion.

Based on the above we would like you to provide the public with more information to be better informed.

- 1. Can we obtain copies of the appraisal reports from the two local appraisal companies that appraised the turtle pier property?
- 2. Can a copy of the deed for the purchase of Turtle Pier be provided to us?
- 3. What is the policy of this government regarding the sale of government land in long lease?
- 4. How many parcel of lands has the airport purchased thus far alongside the run way? What was the average price per square meter for these properties? Can PJIA NV provide us with a list of the properties purchased thus far indicating the size of the property (m2), the year when it was purchased and the amount paid for them not necessarily mentioning the names of the seller(s)?
- 5. How many companies submitted a bid for the renovation of the turtle pier property and which companies were they? Which company won the bid for this renovation?
- 6. If the airport is planning to purchase all those properties alongside the run way what will it do with these properties? Are there any drawings or artistic impressions for these properties? If yes, can we be provided with those plans?





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We are quite confident that once this information is provided the general public will be better informed and all the rumors will be laid to rest for once and for all.

We thank you in advance for your continued cooperation.

Yours truly,

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Lenny F. Priest

Interim Leader/President

cc: Supervisory Board of PJIA N.V.- Mr. Clarence Derby PJIA NV -Managing Director, Ms. Regina Labega