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Parliament of Sint Maarten
F.a.o.: Chairlady S. Wescott-Williams.
Wilhelminastraat #1
Philipsburg, Sint Maarten

Great Bay, 12 June 2025

Our ref.nr.: OM-OBM 0057-2025

Subject: Re-appointment ex. article 2 National Ordinance Ombudsman

Excellency,

On 14 December 2018, I had the distinct honor of being sworn in by your person as the Ombudsman of Sint Maarten. I officially assumed office on 1 January 2019. As my current term approaches its conclusion on 31 December 2025, I find it both appropriate and meaningful to reflect on the journey thus far and to look ahead.

Over the past six years, my team and I have worked with dedication and integrity to ensure that the voice and perspective of the citizen are integrated into the actions and policies of government. Together, we have made meaningful progress. Building on the foundation laid by my predecessor, the Office of the Ombudsman has evolved into a recognized and respected institution, steadily cultivating awareness within the government administration of its constitutional mandate as a critical pillar in the system of checks and balances. This effort has not only fostered increased awareness within the public administration but has also helped build and maintain trust within our community.

That said, much remains to be done. The daily influx of complaints and signals from the public continues to highlight areas where government can and must do better. In light of this, and recognizing the importance of continuity not only within Government but also within the High Councils of State, I hereby express my willingness and commitment to continue serving as Ombudsman beyond December 31, 2025.

In accordance with article 2 of the National Ordinance Ombudsman, which provides for the reappointment of the Ombudsman after a seven-year term, I respectfully inform you that I make myself available for reappointment by Parliament and, by extension, to continue serving the people of Sint Maarten.

I would welcome the opportunity to discuss any considerations you may wish to share.

Sincerely,


Gwendolien Mossel
Ombudsman of Sint Maarten