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### FREELANCE INTERVIEWERS NEEDED!

Are you a team player who is self-motivated without a 9 to 5 mentality?

The Department of Statistics (STAT) is looking for freelance interviewers to work on the upcoming **Tourism Exit Surveys**.

As an **Interviewer** will be assigned a daily shift over the span of 2 weeks, where you will conduct personal interviews with tourists just prior to their departure at the airport or cruise terminal. The survey aims to collect valuable data on how tourists experienced St. Maarten. Your task includes validating each completed form and daily delivery to the STAT office.

For this function you will need to be well organized, an excellent communicator, stress resistant, at least 20 years of age, possess a strong work-ethic, have minimum a high school diploma, and have your own transport. Speaking multiple languages is a plus (French / Spanish).

The Department of Statistics will provide you with training, a support system to handle any issues you may face in the field, also an attractive compensation package.

If you are interested to take up this challenge, please send your application resume and cover letter to [statinfo@sintmaartengov.org](mailto:statinfo@sintmaartengov.org) before the end of November 25<sup>th</sup>.

### Ministry of VROMI

The permits department of the Ministry of VROMI hereby announces December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 as the final day for permit applications and submissions for the year 2021. No intake of any permit applications will be accepted as of December 11, 2021. Intake of applications will resume on January 10, 2022 for term 2022.



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Monday November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021

### PUBLIC NOTICE

The Immigration Department would hereby like to make the following known to the general public regarding the processing fee for Immigration applications.

The processing fee mentioned was refunded to applicants who received a negative decision on their applications for a period of time. This practice was adopted after the dismantling of the Netherlands Antilles, without a legal basis in support of same.

A review of the applicable law and its elucidation have not provided the legal basis for the refund conducted. In fact it is important to note, that refunds are not cited in the law that governs fees. Article 41 of the Fees Ordinance stipulates; the exact amount each category of applicant should pay when submitting a certain immigration application. For example, article 41 (4) states that persons applying for a "niet van toepassing" which translated "not applicable" permit, will only pay ANG 200. =

In the explanatory memorandum the outline on the amount of permits processed on an annual basis and the processing time and costs involved for the processing of the applications, explains the need for a processing fee to be paid. A refund of the processing fee would suggest that the costs incurred are not to be covered by the fee, because the application was denied. This presumption is not supported by the law and the intent of the legislator.

In line with the afore and considering the amount of resources required to process permits, the set time frame in which this has to be done, while under severe cost cutting measures the government is forced to make, it has been decided that as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022, the processing fee will not be refunded to applicants who have received a negative decision. The processing fee is fully absorbed by the process conducted and concluded with any decision rendered by the Minister, be it positive or negative. Reason why in the absence of a legal basis no refund will be due.

Furthermore, the negative decision will no longer be issued in print form, but will rather be delivered digitally to the applicant via email, using the email provided by the applicant on the application form.

For more information please contact us via email [immigration@sintmaartengov.org](mailto:immigration@sintmaartengov.org) or by phone: +17215424449. Thank you kindly in advance for your attention and understanding.

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### Government of Sint Maarten

#### Public Tender

##### Principal:

Government of Sint Maarten, coordinated by the Ministry of TEATT.

##### Financed by:

The Government of Sint Maarten.

##### Project Objective:

Selection of a Service Provider to provide Investment Promotion activities for Sint Maarten.

##### Terms of Reference:

The terms of reference for this project can be obtained from Vanessa Mathew ([vanessa.mathew@sintmaartengov.org](mailto:vanessa.mathew@sintmaartengov.org)) at the Economy, Transport and Telecommunication Department.

##### Tender Date:

The proposals must be submitted, in writing, signed, in English, in the format described in the terms of reference. The proposal must be submitted electronically to [valya.pantophlet@sintmaartengov.org](mailto:valya.pantophlet@sintmaartengov.org) by December 22, 2021.

For further information about the tender procedure and the project, kindly contact Valya Pantophlet via e-mail at [valya.pantophlet@sintmaartengov.org](mailto:valya.pantophlet@sintmaartengov.org).



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