



Parliament of Sint Maarten

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MEETINGS OF THE WEEK

August 24 – 28, 2026

Monday, August 24, 2026 – Continuation OV 22 – 10.00 hrs.

- The agenda point is:
3. Ontwerplandsverordening tot vaststelling van de begroting van het land Sint Maarten voor het dienstjaar 2026 (Landsverordening begroting 2026) (Zittingsjaar 2025-2026-192) (IS/1159/2025-2026 d.d. 11 juni 2026)

Draft National Ordinance stipulating the Budget for Country Sint Maarten for the Year 2026 (National Ordinance Budget 2026) (Parliamentary Year 2025–2026–192)

The Council of Ministers will be in attendance.

Tuesday, August 25, 2026 – Continuation OV 22 – 10.00 hrs.

- The agenda point is:
3. Ontwerplandsverordening tot vaststelling van de begroting van het land Sint Maarten voor het dienstjaar 2026 (Landsverordening begroting 2026) (Zittingsjaar 2025-2026-192) (IS/1159/2025-2026 d.d. 11 juni 2026)

Draft National Ordinance stipulating the Budget for Country Sint Maarten for the Year 2026 (National Ordinance Budget 2026) (Parliamentary Year 2025–2026–192)

The Council of Ministers will be in attendance.

Wednesday, August 26, 2026 – Continuation OV 22 – 10.00 hrs.

- The agenda point is:
3. Ontwerplandsverordening tot vaststelling van de begroting van het land Sint Maarten voor het dienstjaar 2026 (Landsverordening begroting

2026) (Zittingsjaar 2025-2026-192) (IS/1159/2025-2026 d.d. 11 juni 2026)

Draft National Ordinance stipulating the Budget for Country Sint Maarten for the Year 2026 (National Ordinance Budget 2026) (Parliamentary Year 2025–2026–192)

The Council of Ministers will be in attendance.

Thursday, August 27, 2026 – Continuation OV 22 – 10.00 hrs.

- The agenda point is:
3. Ontwerplandsverordening tot vaststelling van de begroting van het land Sint Maarten voor het dienstjaar 2026 (Landsverordening begroting 2026) (Zittingsjaar 2025-2026-192) (IS/1159/2025-2026 d.d. 11 juni 2026)

Draft National Ordinance stipulating the Budget for Country Sint Maarten for the Year 2026 (National Ordinance Budget 2026) (Parliamentary Year 2025–2026–192)

The Council of Ministers will be in attendance.

Friday, August 28, 2026 – Continuation OV 22 – 10.00 hrs.

- The agenda point is:
3. Ontwerplandsverordening tot vaststelling van de begroting van het land Sint Maarten voor het dienstjaar 2026 (Landsverordening begroting 2026) (Zittingsjaar 2025-2026-192) (IS/1159/2025-2026 d.d. 11 juni 2026)

Draft National Ordinance stipulating the Budget for Country Sint Maarten for the Year 2026 (National Ordinance Budget 2026) (Parliamentary Year 2025–2026–192)

The Council of Ministers will be in attendance.

MEETING WEEK RECAP

August 10 – 14, 2026

CKAIR 11 – Wednesday, August 12, 2026
The Committee of Kingdom Affairs and Interparliamentary Relations (CKAIR) of Parliament, met regarding several draft Kingdom legislation and preparations for the January 2027 IPKO in Sint Maarten.

Status: Meeting closed.

CC 24 – Friday, August 14, 2026
The Central Committee of Parliament met to address several draft Kingdom laws and the composition of parliamentary delegations for upcoming official events and working visits.

Status: Meeting closed.

MEETING WEEK RECAP

(Preparation Week)
August 17 – 21, 2026

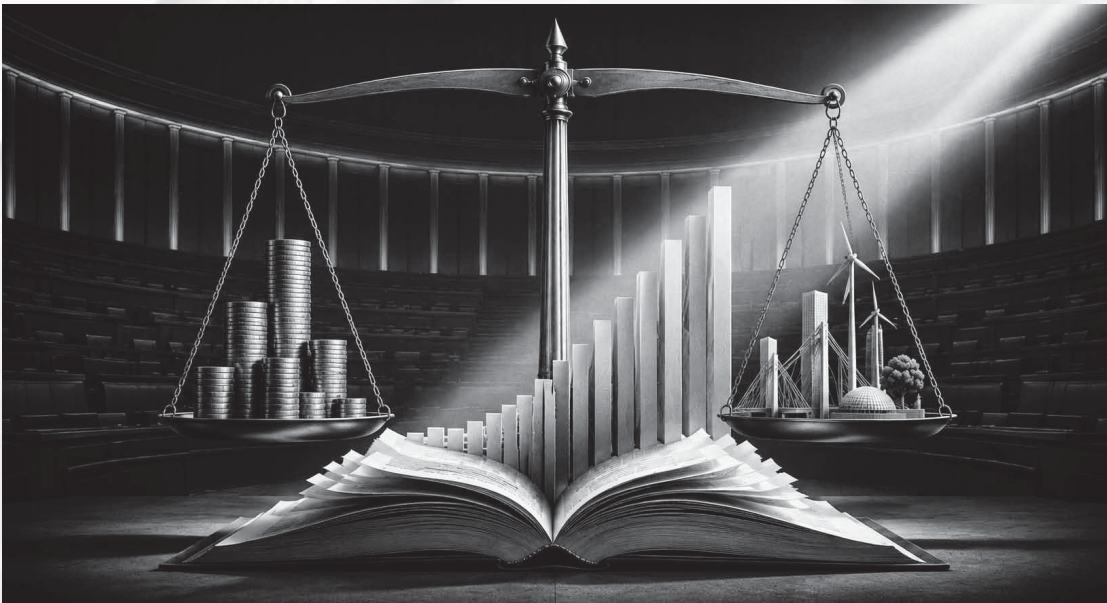
OV 22 – Thursday, August 20, 2026
Public Meeting of Parliament regarding ratification of the decision list of IPKO held in the Netherlands and the draft National Ordinance stipulating the Budget for Country Sint Maarten for the service year 2026.

Status: Meeting adjourned.

Continuation OV 22 – Friday, August 21, 2026
Continuation Public meeting of Parliament regarding the draft National Ordinance stipulating the Budget for Country Sint Maarten for the service year 2026.

Status: Meeting adjourned.

RIGHT TO AMEND AND APPROVE THE BUDGET (BUDGET RIGHT) - article 100 of the CONSTITUTION



1. The budget for the Country's revenues and expenditures shall be enacted by national ordinance.
2. The annual budget and the long-term budget shall be balanced. If necessary, in connection with the recovery of damages caused by exceptional events, including natural disasters, exceptions from the first sentence are possible,

- in accordance with rules issued by or pursuant to a Kingdom Law or national ordinance.
3. The government shall submit one or more drafts of the budget to Parliament each year, no later than September 1st.
4. Account for the revenues and expenditures of the Country shall be rendered to Parliament in accordance

with the national ordinance. The accounts examined by the General Audit Chamber shall be submitted to / Parliament each year.

5. By national ordinance rules shall be laid down concerning the management of the Country's finances.

In accordance with article 100 of our Constitution, Government has to prepare a budget each year in order to be able to make expenses (and enter into new loans). This budget needs to reflect both the income as well as the expenditures that Government intends to make. The budget needs to be balanced. It has become customary that one budget is drafted for the entire collective sector which includes the budget for Government, Parliament, and the High Councils of State (the Council of Advice, Ombudsman and General Audit Chamber). This budget, which is a national ordinance, goes through the regular legislative process and ends up by Parliament for debate and approval. This process is repetitive, includes several key moments and is therefore called the budget cycle.

The national ordinance containing the budget for the next year must be presented to Parliament no later than September 1st of the current year.

A financial account of the revenues and expenditures is examined by the General Audit Chamber and submitted thereafter to Parliament for approval in order for Parliament to scrutinize if the monies were spent by the collective sector, as approved in the budget.

The budget right is one of the oldest rights of parliaments around the world where legislation and supervision come together.