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Bijlagen 1

Dear members of the Standing Committee on Resources for Education and Accreditation in Medicine,

I am contacting you regarding the American University of Statia School of Medicine on St. Eustatius.

During the last four weeks my office has frequently been in touch with your office regarding the International Medical Education Directory (IMED) Request for Listing the University has petitioned. I would like to thank your organisation for the cooperation and courtesy you provided during these contacts.

As you are aware, the University is a new school and has currently therefore not yet been recognised by the Dutch national government because the course program has not yet run on its full scale during at least one cycle. The letter of the Minister of Education which you received earlier explains the procure for recognition to determine how and when the University can be recognised. I would like to add to that that Dutch rules and regulations do not prohibit the University to start: they can open their doors and start teaching as we speak.

The Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sport has also drafted a letter regarding the Medical school which was send to the Public Authority earlier this month (enclosed).

I acknowledge and respect the rules and regulations the Faimer organisation has established. However, until the course program has run on its full scale during at least one cycle, this is the maximum the Dutch government at this moment can do to assist the University in requesting listing in IMED.



I fully support the start of this University on St. Eustatius, and therefore I would kindly ask you to take into consideration to postpone the formal recognition by the Dutch Government and grand the American University of Statia School of Medicine (temporary) access to your IMED listing. Datum 14 oktober 2014 Kenmerk RV/2014/104.085

Yours sincerely.

_____The Kingdom Representative for Bonaire, St. Eustatius and Saba,

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cc: Public Authority St. Eustatius