

CARIBBEAN FINANCIAL ACTION TASK FORCE

Seventh Follow-Up Report

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I. Introduction

- 1. This report represents the CFATF Secretariat's analysis of Sint Maarten's progress with regard to correcting the deficiencies identified in its Mutual Evaluation Report (**MER**), as approved on November 2012 and subsequently by Round Robin on January 8th, 2013¹. This is the seventh follow-up report, based on a matrix of progress provided by Sint Maarten on April 13th, 2016 (see the attached matrix of progress). Sint Maarten was placed in regular-expedited follow-up process.
- 2. Sint Maarten received ratings of PC and NC on fourteen (14) of the sixteen (16) Core and Key Recommendations respectively as follows. It also received rating of LC in two (2) Recommendations:

Rec.	1	3	4	5	10	13	23	26	35	36	40	I	II	III	IV	V
Rating	LC	PC	LC	PC	PC	NC	PC	NC	PC	PC	PC	PC	NC	PC	NC	PC

3. With regard to the other non-Core or Key Recommendations, Sint Maarten was rated partially compliant or non-compliant, as indicated below.

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Partially Compliant (PC)	Non-Compliant (NC)
R. 9 (Third parties and Introducers)	R. 12 (DNFBPs – R. ,6,8-11)
R. 14 Protection & no Tipping-off	R. 16 (DNFBP-R. 13-15 &21)
R. 17 (Sanctions)	R. 24 (DNFBP-regulation, supervision and
	monitoring)
R. 21 (Special attention for higher risk	R. 33 (Legal persons-beneficial owners)
countries)	
R. 25 (Guidelines & Feedback)	SR. VI (AML requirements for MVTS)
R. 27 (Law enforcement authorities)	SR. VIII (NPOs)
R. 30 (Resources)	SR. IX (Cross-border Declaration &
	Disclosure)
R. 31 (National co-operation)	
R. 32 (Statistics)	
R. 38 (MLA on confiscation and freezing)	
SR. VII (Wire transfer rules)	

The following table is indented to assist in providing an insight into the level of risk in the main financial sectors in Sint Maarten, as per December 31st, 2014.

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¹ Post Plenary, in order to provide St Maarten with a comprehensive list of outstanding documents, it was discovered that translated Articles of the Netherlands Antilles Penal Code that were relevant to assessing compliance primarily with Recommendation 1 (Table of Designated Category of Offences) and also affecting Recommendation 3, 13, 35, 36, SRII and SR IV were not analysed by the Examiners. Accordingly, a post Plenary analysis was conducted, which resulted in the rated for Recommendation 1 being upgraded from a "PC" to a "LC". The ratings for Recommendations 3, 13, 35, 36, SRII and SR IV were not affected as the effect of the Penal Code articles on those Recommendations was minimal. The amended Post Plenary Report was forwarded to the Sint Maarten Authorities and approved for submission for approval of the specific parts by the Round Robin process. The Post Plenary Report was adopted by Plenary on January 8, 2013.

Size and integration of the jurisdiction's financial sector Sint Maarten

		Banks	Other Credit Institutions	Securities	Insurance	TOTAL
Number of institutions	Total #	7 local and 1 international bank (1)	1 specialized credit institution (2)		6 (1)	
Assets	US\$	Local banks 2,894,994 International banks 184,205	17,217		435,146 (2)	
Deposits	Total: US\$	Local banks 2,155,011 International banks 131,570	0		18,570 (3)	
	% Non-resident	Local banks: 53% International banks: 100%	0%		0%	
International Links	% Foreign- owned:	Local banks: 71% International banks: 0%	100%		1.17% (4)	

#Subsidiaries abroad	3 of local banks	0	3 (5)	
	0 of international banks			

Please include savings and loans institutions, credit unions, financial cooperatives and any other depository and non-depository credit institutions that may not be already included in the first column.

BANKS:

- (1) The figures of the banks, being local general banks, subsidiaries of foreign banks, branches of local general banks and (non-) consolidated international banks, consist of figures as per December 31, 2015 (amounts in thousands).
- (2) The figures of other credit institutions, being specialized credit institution, savings banks, credit union, savings and credit funds, savings and thrift funds, consist of figures as per December 31, 2015 (amounts in thousands).

SECURITIES:

(1) There are no local or foreign investment institutions under the Central Bank's supervision in Sint Maarten.

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INSURANCE:

- (1) This total includes:
- 1 local life insurance company (locally established)
- 4 local non-life insurance companies (1 locally established and 3 branches of foreign insurance companies)
- 1 pension fund (locally established)
- (2) Total Assets as reported by the insurance companies and pension fund, mentioned in point 1, as per year end 2014 (amounts x US\$ 1,000).
- (3) This amount is included in the Total Assets and represents the investments by the companies in (time) Deposits at (commercial) banks (amounts x US\$ 1,000).
- (4) Represents the Total Assets of branch offices of foreign insurance companies in percentage of Total Assets as mentioned under point 2.
- (5) Represents the number of subsidiaries abroad of local insurance companies.

II. Scope of the Report

4. This report will review Sint Maarten's level of compliance with the following Core, Key and other Recommendations rated in the Mutual Evaluation Report (**MER**) as PC or NC that remain outstanding: Core Recommendations 5, 10, 13, II and IV and Key Recommendations 3, 23, 26, 35, 36, 40, I, III, and V rated as PC or NC as well as the following outstanding Recommendations: 9, 12, 14, 16, 17, 21, 24, 25, 27, 30, 31, 32, 33, 38, 39, Special Recommendations VI, VII, VIII and IX. It is also noted, that updates for Recommendations 2, 6, 7, 8, 11, 34 and 37 were provided, which will not be part of this 7th FUR since these Recommendations were rated as **LC** in the **MER**.

III. Summary of progress made by Sint Maarten

5. Sint Maarten has achieved progress with the issuance of the new Penal Code in June 1st 2015, the amendment of the Ministerial Decree containing the establishment of Indicators of the Unusual Transactions National Ordinance (MDIUT) and elaboration of Annual Reports of activities carried out by the Financial Intelligence Unit, for 2010-2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014; including information on typologies, training, statistics of STRS, mutual legal assistance and international cooperation; among other information.

^{*} If any of these categories are not regulated, please indicate so in a footnote and provide an estimate of the figures

- 6. As a result of merging the NOIS and NORUT, the draft National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing was originated.
- 7. Sint Maarten, also continues in the process of reviewing and passing the following legislation: a) Criminal Procedures Code, b) draft National Ordinance of the FIU, c) draft Harmonization of the Supervision Laws, d) draft National Ordinance for Supervision of MTC's, and d) draft National Ordinance to amend the National Ordinance Cross-border Declaration and Disclosure.

IV. Core Recommendations

Recommendation 5

8. As a result of the amendments of the NOIS and NORUT a new draft was finalized by the end of January, which originated in the draft of the new National Ordinance for Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. The draft of the new National Ordinance, constitutes the fourth draft of legislation and includes all the recommended actions for this Rec. By the time of elaboration of this report, the draft was being reviewed by the FIU, review which is expected to be finalized by August 1st, 2016. Prior to the legislative process, the new draft will be submitted to the Minister of Justice. Henceforth, the draft will be translated into the English Language and will be submitted to the CFATF Secretariat for analysis. For now, this Rec. remains in the status quo.

Recommendation 10

9. The two recommended actions for this Recommendation, were included in the draft of the new National Ordinance for Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing under review by the FIU. Previously to start the legislative process, the review of the draft and its submission to the Ministry of Justice, is expected to take place by August 1st, 2016. For now, this Rec. remains in the status quo.

Recommendation 13 and Special Recommendation IV

- 10. Regarding the ensurance that: All designated categories of predicate offenses for ML are covered in order to eliminate any restrictions on reporting (paragraph 277 of MER), the new Penal Code, in force from 1st of June 2015, incorporates the crimes of Market manipulation (Article 2:321) and Insider Trading (Article 2:322). The National Ordinance on Fire Arms (AB 2013 CT No. 183), criminalizes the offence of illicit arms trafficking. The crime of smuggling has been incorporated in Arts. 233 A, B and C; of the National Ordinance on Import, Export and Transit (AB 2014 GT No.4). The new Penal Code and several National Ordinances, incorporate the complete designated categories of offences. Accordingly, in the list of designated categories of offences, has been fully criminalized. In addition, the Regulation on Indicators of Unusual Transactions (MDIUT) in force since May 1st, 2016 fully incorporates the designated categories of offences as indicators to report unusual transactions. **This recommended action has been fully met.**
- 11. The Ministerial Decree No. 2016/165, which contains an amendment of the Regulation on Indicators of Unusual Transactions expressly establishes tax crimes in the indicators to report unusual transactions. **This recommended action has been fully met.**

- 12. The aforementioned regulation, allows the reporting entities (FI and DNFBPS) to identify suspicions of ML, TF and predicate offences on a risk based approach, avoiding reliance on prescriptive factors. **This recommended action has been fully met.**
- 13. For this report, Recommendations 13 and S.R. IV have been fully met.

Special Recommendation I (Key), II (Core) and III (Key)

Special Recommendation I

14. The recommended actions for SRI are included in the recommended actions for SRII and SRIII. Consequently, the following sections will analyse the recommended actions for SRII and SRIII.

Special Recommendation II

- 15. Regarding the criminalization of the indirect or unlawful provision of funding for the commission of a terrorist offence, Art. 2:55 of the new Penal Code criminalises the financing of terrorism, including collecting and providing funds either directly or indirectly for the commission of a terrorist offence. Although the unlawfull conduct is not explicitly criminalised, it can be inferred from the criminalization of the offence as it has been incorporated in the new Penal Code. **This recommended action has been met in the 5th FUR.**
- 16. Regarding criminalizing the willfull provision of funds to individual terrorists, Art. 2:55 of the new Penal Code sets out the offence for a person who intentionally collects or provides funds to commit or intend to commit terrorist offences. The intentionality typified in the offence, incorporates the willfull conduct. This recommended action has been met.
- 17. Regarding the review of the Penal Code to criminalize terrorist financing, the offence was criminalized in the new Penal Code, inforced since June 1st 2015. **This** recommended action has been met.
- 18. Regarding the need to incorporate specific penalties for the offence of TF, Arts. 2:54 and 2:55 establish the penalty of imprisonment of not more than eight years or a fine in the fifth category for terrorism and terrorist financing. Although the Penal Code criminalizes TF, the penalty is not dissuasive compared with the penalties for FT in the region and is not proportionate either with other serious offences criminalized in the new Penal Code; such as murder, which is penalized with imprisonment of not more than twenty-four years. As a consequence, the Penal Code meets the need to incorporate penalties, however does not meet criteria 2.5 and II.4. This recommended action has been partially met.
- 19. Art. 2:55 of the Penal Code includes natural persons, juristic persons, groups of natural persons or juristic persons and organizations for the application of the offence of terrorist financing. This makes the offence, applicable to terrorist organizations and individual terrorists. In addition, Art. 2:54 establishes the offence of terrorism which is applicable to "a person" without a distinction on whether it's individual or juristic. **This recommended action has been met.**
- 20. Regarding the criminalization of the offences referenced in the Conventions and Protocols listed in Annex 1 of the TF Convention, the new Penal Code incorporates all the crimes, as indicated in the following chart. **This recommended action has been met.**

No.	Convention or Protocol	Arts. In Penal Code
1	Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Seizure of	1:4 (g) (n); 2:370
2	Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against	1:4, (g) (n); 2:109 -
	the Safety of Civil Aviation	2:115; 2:340
3	Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes	1:4, 1; 1:214; 2:33;
	against Internationally Protected Persons, including	2:34; 2:35; 2:227;
4	Diplomatic Agents	2:250; 2:255
	International Convention against the Taking of Hostages	2:250; 2:255
5	Convention concluded in New York on 15 December 1997	1:4 (m) (q)
	on combating terrorist bomb attacks (treaties Series 1998,	
	84) and Convention Concluded in Vienna/New York on 3	
	March 1980 on the physical security of nuclear material	
	(Treaties Series 1980, 166).	
6	Protocol for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts of Violence	2:110; 2:111
	at Airports Serving International Civil Aviation,	
	supplementary to the Convention for the Suppression of	
	Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Civil Aviation	
7	Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against	1:4, (h), 1°; 2:112;
	the Safety of Maritime Navigation	2:114; 2:340; 2:370;
		2:371; 2:372
8	Protocol for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the	1:4 (h), 2°; 1:4 (n);
	Safety of Fixed Platforms located on the Continental Shelf	2:340; 2:370; 2:371
9	International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist	1:4 (q); 2:98; 2:105;
	Bombings, adopted by the General Assembly of the United	2:254; 2:255; 2:288 -
	Nations	2:291; 2:294; 2:295;
		2:298; 2:305

21. Except for the dissuasiveness and proportionality of the sanctions, Special Recommendation II has been considerably met. Its full compliance remains outstanding.

Special Recommendation III

- 22. The substantive freezing mechanism for persons listed pursuant to Resolution 1267 of the United Nations Security Council, is complied with; since it has been included in the new Sanctions National Decree which has been in force since April 22nd, 2016. In order to ensure that freezing mechanisms should be served without delay, a draft National Ordinance to amend the Sanctions Ordinance, will be handled in the Council of Ministers on May 31st, 2016. Hereinafter, the draft ordinance will be submitted to the Parliament for approval. The legislation will be provided to the Secretariat, once it is translated into the English Language. The recommended action has not been met.
- 23. Regarding the amendment of the Sanctions National Decree in order to expressly refer to assets jointly owned or controlled by designated persons, terrorists or terrorists organizations with third parties and to incorporate wording to clearly communicate the enforceability of sanctions against the entire assets which is held "in part" by a designated person, terrorist or terrorist organization; the Authorities have indicated that this recommended action is included in the draft of the National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. The recommended action has not been met.
- 24. Regarding providing guidance to all persons and entities with regards to obligations in taking action under the freezing mechanism, the Authorities have indicated that the guidelines will be provided by the Department of Foreign Affairs of Sint Maarten. By the elaboration of this report, the guidelines are expected to be in force. The recommended action has not been met.

- 25. Regarding incorporating the wording in the FATT Protocols, to clearly reflect that compliance with these Protocols is mandatory and that breaches of the Protocols can be sanctioned by the Central Bank, the Authorities indicated that this is expected to be provided by June 2016 by the Central Bank of Curação and Sint Maarten. The recommended action has not been met.
- 26. The recommended actions for this Recommendation remain outstanding.

V. Key Recommendations

Recommendation 3

- 27. In respect of confiscation mechanisms for terrorist financing offences, the new Penal Code which came into force on June 1st, 2015 sets out that forfeiture orders can be imposed upon conviction for any criminal act, which includes terrorist acts, terrorist financing, and the designated categories of predicate offences. The Authorities also indicated that the confiscation mechanisms have been revised and updated. According with the Authorities, the post-confiscation measures are now in place. To complement these measures, the draft criminal procedures code has been reviewed by the Advisory Counsel and the Minister of Justice and is awaiting the submission to Parliament by the Council of Ministers. The full compliance of this recommended action, is required to indicate the accurate legal basis of confiscation mechanisms for terrorist financing offences. This recommendation has been partially met and its full compliance remains outstanding.
- 28. Statistics related to investigation, prosecution and convictions of ML related cases, should be provided by Sint Maarten in order to further analyse this recommendation. For this report, the PPO is in the process of providing statistics. This recommended action has not been met.
- 29. Regarding the need of reviewing the confiscation measures under the Penal Code to allow for the pre-conviction and post-conviction measures to be imposed without notice, the Authorities indicated that it has been covered by the National Ordinance Import, Export and Transhipment (AB 2014 CT No.4 Art. 218 and Art. 219b). Art. 218 establishes that the officials are authorized to seize objects that can be seized under the Criminal Procedures Code and can demand the release of these objects. The officials have access at all times to all places, of which they may reasonably suspect that a punishable act has been committed.
- 30. In addition, Art. 119 and 119a of the Criminal Procedures Code, allow for pre-conviction measures to be imposed without advance notice. The Criminal Procedures Code is currently in review by the Legal Department, in order to be submitted to the Council of Ministers. Regarding post-conviction measures, Title III of the Penal Code establishes the confiscation, deprivation of unlawfully obtained gains and compensation measures that can be imposed for all the offences, including terrorism and financing of terrorism. The recommendation is partially met.

Recommendation 23

31. Key deficiencies identified for this Recommendation, included: 1) The need to prevent unlicensed Money Transfer Companies (MTC) to operate in Sint Maarten, 2) A low number of inspections on existing MTCs, 3) To implement a regulatory and supervisory regime for factoring services as indicated in the MER, and 4) To implement a risk based

- approach system to adequately ponder AML/CTF risks in order to focus the onsite inspections.
- 32. Regarding the need to take actions to close unlicensed MTCs, the Authorities indicated since the 3rd FUR report, that unlicensed MTCs would be closed by the Public Prosecutors Office (PPO). Along with the 5th and 6th FUR, the PPO reviewed the situation and a case was started in the Court between the unlicensed MTC and the CBCS, in which the MTC lost in the first instance. The Appeals Court reviewed the case, in which the MTC lost against the CBCS in October 19th 2015. The Authorities are carrying out discussions with the Minister of Justice, in order to define the next actions to be taken in this matter. For this report, the Authorities pointed that the power to apply a wide range of sanctions has been addressed in the draft National Ordinance Harmonization of the Supervision Laws and the draft National Ordinance Supervision of Money Remitter Companies, which are in the legislative process. As indicated in the previous report, a provision has been included in order to close the MTC operating without a license issued by the CBCS. This recommended action has not been met.
- 33. Regarding increasing the number of on-site inspections of MTCs, in the 3rd FUR of May 2014, it was updated that during 2013 the Central Bank performed 3 on-site visits to MTCs. The number of inspections has not increased since 2013. As a consequence, the recommended action has not been met.
- 34. On the recommended action of implementing a regulatory and supervisory regime for factoring services, the Central Bank conducted a thorough risk assessment of the factoring services and reached the conclusion that the business is exposed to a very low AML/CFT risk; as indicated for the 3rd FUR of May 2014. Sint Maarten has identified the risk posed by the factoring services. However, even if the risk was identified as low, a regulatory and supervisory regime should be implemented according to the low level of risk. This recommended action has not been met.
- 35. With regards to the development of a risk based approach system to determine the AML/CFT focus of onsite inspections: The Authorities indicated that the CBCS is in the progress of developing the system; as indicated since the 5th FUR of May 2015. This is expected to be finalized by August 1st 2016. This recommended action has not been met.
- 36. Regarding having supervisory staff for greater on-site monitoring of licensees, since August 2012 one (1) Supervisory staff was hired by the CBCS to improve the monitoring of the licensees; as indicated in the 3rd FUR of May 2014. By the time of elaboration of this report, this recommended action was being reviewed by the Legal Department in order to be sent to the Council of Ministers. Based on the size and integration of Sint Maarten's financial sector, it is recommended that a review be done to determine whether the Staff is adequate to manage the supervisory activities. This recommended action has not been met.
- 37. According with the above mentioned, Recommendation 23 remains outstanding.

Recommendation 26

38. Regarding the low number of investigative reports forwarded by the MOT, compared to the number of UTRs recovered and the need of reassessing the internal process to ensure that an adequate number of investigative reports were sent to the PPO, it is noted that since the issuance of the MER to now, the MOT has increased the number of investigations submitted to the PPO, particularly in 2012 and 2013; as shown in the following chart. The number of STRs submitted to the FIU should be constant or

increased, depending on the risks posed in Sint Maarten. Although this recommended action will be subjected to continuous monitoring, for this report, the recommended action has been met.

Total unusual transactions vs suspicious transactions							
Year	UTR per	STR per	% of STR from	Value UTR ANG	Value STR ANG		
	year	year	the UTR				
2014	7915	844	10 %	3,882,014,631.00	430,679,644.00		
2013	7169	2068	22 %	573,864,729.00	239,183,741.00		
2012	9775	3949	29 %	1,071,403,149.00	424,867,287.00		
2010/2011	28	0	0 %	4,899,177.00	0.00		

*Exchange rate of selling rates to the public published by Centrale Bank Van Curação e Sint Maarten on May 11th 2016 is: 1.82 US Dollar per Dutch Guilder (ANG).

- 39. Regarding the production and publication of Annual Reports which include information on ML and TF trends and typologies, the MOT provided Annual Reports for 2010/2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014. The Annual Reports comprise wide information on statistics and reporting trends, dissemination of information to the PPO and national and international requests of information, national and international cooperation, as views on priorities for the following year. **This recommended action has been met.**
- 40. Since the recommended actions were implemented, **Recommendation 26 has been fully met.**

Recommendations 35, and 40

- 41. On the recommended action of ensuring that the Extradition Decree of Curaçao, Aruba and Sint Maarten (EDAC) expressly addresses the matters of non-treaty based requests for extradition, expedition of extradition procedures and simplification of evidentiary requirements, the Authorities indicated that there is no treaty requirement for extradition stipulated in the EDAC. It was also noted that its amendment would require the approval of all territories governed by the Kingdom law.
- 42. As indicated in paragraph 1281 of the **MER**, regarding specific provisions in the Penal Procedures Code or the EDAC in relation to paragraph 3 (extradition conditioned on the existence of a treaty) and 7 (expedite extradition procedures and to simplify evidentiary requirements) of Art. 6 of the Vienna Convention, which analysis follows:
- 43. Regarding Art. 6 paragraph 3 of the Vienna Convention: Art. 1 of EDAC makes an implicit reference to the Vienna Convention. Sint Maarten applies the Vienna Convention since its acceptance through the Netherlands and the Netherlands Antilles on September 8th 1993. Given the acceptance of this international instrument, the Vienna Convention prevails in the case of the absence of an extradition treaty agreed with another country. It is required that Sint Maarten provides further information on the application of Art 6 number 7 of the Vienna Convention. This recommended action has been met for Art. 6 number 3 of the Vienna Convention.
- 44. As indicated in the analysis for SR II, the criminalization of the indirect or unlawful provision of funding for the commission of a terrorist offence and the willful provision of funds to individual terrorists, **have been met.**
- 45. The compliance of the other recommended actions for Rec. 35 are pending and are expected to be met by 1st of August 2016.

46. This Recommendation remains outstanding.

Recommendation 40

- 47. Regarding the review of the following Ordinances: NOSBCI, RFETCSM, NOSIIA and NOSTCSP to allow for the CBCS to undertake investigations on behalf of their foreign counterparts; the Authorities indicated since the second follow-up report that the draft Harmonization Law (supervision of financial institutions) provides for foreign supervisors to operate under CBCS supervision. Accordingly, this recommended action has been included in the indicated legislation, which was recently submitted to the Council of Ministers and is expected to be in force in June 2017. The recommended action has not been met.
- 48. On the maintenance of statistics of spontaneous referral of information by entities as well as information supplied as a result of a request, the Annual Reports of the MOT for 2010/2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014; present statistics on international requests of information to and from other countries, as well as international exchange of information through Egmont Group, which indicates the number of requests of information received and provided, countries to whom it was provided and type of information. **This recommended action has been met.**
- 49. With regard of the ability to provide international cooperation with/to their foreign counterparts, by all law enforcement entities; the Authorities indicated that this requirement has been included in (1) The draft National Ordinance on the FIU, in (2) The draft Harmonization law, and (3) The draft National Ordinance on Supervision. This recommended action has not been met.
- 50. This Recommendation remains outstanding.

Key Recommendation 36 and Special Recommendation V and non Core or Key Recommendation 38

Recommendation 36

51. The deficiencies set out in the ratings table, included in paragraph 1389 of the MER, were incorporated in the Penal Code which came into force on June 1, 2015. It is noted that the recommended actions related to the unlawful provision of funding for the commission of TF and criminalization of predicate offences; were met by the 5th FUR. Consequently, only the factor related to the criminalization of FT will be analysed in the table below:

Summary of	Compliance by Sint Maarten
factors relevant to	
S.6.3 underlying	
overall rating	
Terrorist financing is not criminalized in accordance with the FT Convention	 It is noted that the offence of Terrorist Financing was criminalized in accordance with the indicated Convention. It was clarified that Art. 2:55 (2) of the Penal Code refers to "funds" howsoever acquired, which does not make a difference whether the source of funds is legitimate or illegitimate. Criterion II.1. (b) has been met. Regarding the possibility of parallel criminal, civil or administrative proceedings to make legal persons subject to criminal liability for TF, it was clarified that Sint Maarten applies the `ne bis in idem – principle' which excludes the

possibility to be prosecuted twice for the same crime. However, the legislation does not set any restriction to apply parallel criminal, civil or administrative proceedings. For example, civil liability cases (up to a certain extend) may be merged with the criminal case, making the criminal proceeding dominant, over the civil case. The same rule applies in the case of criminal and administrative proceedings, in which the administrative proceeding applies, once there is a verdict of the judge within the criminal case. Although parallel proceedings are applicable, the Authorities indicated that an explicit provision will be included in the Penal Code to reinforce its application. **EC II.4 concerning**

criterion 2.4 has been met.

However, the criminalization of financing of terrorism apparently lacks the following elements:

- a. To extend the TF offence when it is committed by a terrorist organization or by an individual terrorist (Criterion II.1 a) (ii) and (iii)
- b. Although there is a sanction for persons, and it was clarified that the offence includes legal persons and natural persons; the sanctions are not effective, proportionate and dissuasive. (EC II.4 concerning criterion 2.5)

These recommended actions are outstanding. (See paragraph 18 of this report).

Special Recommendation V

52. According to paragraph 1389 of the MER, the deficiencies noted for Rec. 36, also apply for SR V.

Recommendation 38

- 53. According to paragraph 1389 of the MER, the deficiencies noted for Rec. 36, also apply for Recommendation 38
- 54. As noted in Paragraphs 13 and 40 of the 4th FUR, the "new Penal Code, enforced since 1st of June 2015, incorporates the crimes of Market manipulation (Article 2:321) and Insider Trading (Article 2:322). The National Ordinance on Fire Arms (AB 2013 CT No. 183), criminalizes the offence of illicit arms trafficking. The crime of smuggling has been incorporated in Arts. 233 A, B and C; of the National Ordinance on Import, Export and Transit (AB 2014 GT No.4)." Consequently, Sint Maarten has addressed the deficiency regarding the availability to extend mutual legal assistance in relation to the aforementioned predicate offences. For this FUR, the Authorities have indicated that the draft Criminal Procedures Code regulates the provision of mutual assistance in Art. 555 up to and including Article 566.
- 55. Recommendation 36, Special Recommendation V and Recommendation 38, should comply with the two outstanding elements on the criminalization of Terrorist Financing, in order to be fully met.

VI. Other Recommendations

56. In the following paragraphs there is a brief update of the actions undertaken by Sint Maarten regarding the other non - Core or Key Recommendations that were rated as PC or NC in the MER.

Recommendations 9, 12, 14, 16, 17, 21, 24, 25, 27, 30, 31, 32, 33, 39, Special Recommendations VI, VII, VIII and IX

Recommendation 9

- 57. With regards to provisions of the P&Gs, in line with the requirements of essential criteria 9.3, which requires that financial institutions satisfy themselves that the third party is regulated and supervised (in accordance with Recommendation 23, 24 and 29) and has measures in place to comply with the CDD requirements set out in Recommendation 5 and 10; Section 2.8 of P&Gs requires service providers to satisfy themselves that the third party is regulated, supervised or monitored for, and has measures in place for compliance with, CDD and record-keeping requirements in line with Recommendations 10 and 11. This recommended action has been met.
- 58. Regarding amendments to the P&Gs to require that financial institutions satisfy themselves that the third party adequately regulates and supervises by referring more broadly to reports assessments and reviews of reports produced by the FATF, IMF or FSRBs, rather than specifically to Mutual Evaluation Reports; the Authorities indicated that this was incorporated in the P&Gs and in the draft Harmonization and Money Remitter Supervision Law. However, further citation of the P&Gs is required. The deficiency will be discussed with the CBCS. This recommended action has not been met.
- 59. On the recommended action with regards to incorporate requirements in the P&Gs for MTC, in order to comply with Recommendation 9; the Authorities provided references in the P&Gs. However, this recommended action requires a review of the criteria related to Rec. 10; which analysis will be further addressed in the next FUR. This recommended action has not been met.
- 60. The overall compliance of Recommendation 9 remains outstanding.

- 61. Regarding to Casinos, there are 2 recommended actions outstanding: a) To amend the threshold for identification requirements for Casinos in accordance with the FATF Standards and b) To issue AML/CFT requirements to internet casinos (online gaming). The Authorities indicated that the threshold for identification has been amended and the online casinos have been included in the draft of the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. These recommended actions have not been met.
- 62. Regarding the need for the DNFBPs to comply by law or regulation with criteria 5.2c.; 5.2d.; 5.2.e and 5.7 of Recommendation 5; the Authorities indicated that this has been included in the draft of the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. The recommended action has not been met.²
- 63. Regarding the deficiency to put *legislation* in place for DNFBPs supervised by the MOT and casinos with the requirements of criteria 5.5.2, 5.6 to 5.11, 5.16 and 5.17 of

² It is noted that although these requirements should be implemented in law or regulation, these were implemented through the P&GS.

Recommendation 5, Sint Maarten complied with criteria 5.5.2, 5.5.2 (a), 5.6, 5.8, 5.9, 5.11, 5.16 and 5.17 for DNFBPS except for casinos, which has not complied with the indicated criteria. ³ For this report, the Authorities indicated that the recommended actions have been included in the draft of the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. The supervision of (1) Casinos, (2) Lotteries and (3) Internet Gaming have been added to the indicated draft. The recommended actions have not been met.

- 64. The Authorities indicated that the deficiencies in section 3.5 for Recommendation 10 which are applicable to all DNFBPs, have been included in the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. This recommended action has not been met.
- 65. With regards to the issuance of *legislation* for DNFBPs supervised by the MOT and casinos that includes all the requirements of Recommendations 6, 8, 9 and 11; it is noted that the amendments of the P&GS complied with criteria 6.1, 6.2, 6.2.1, 8.2, 8.2.1 and 9.3 as indicated in the 5th and 6th FUR. In addition, the Authorities indicated for this report, that the recommended actions have been included in the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. This recommended action has not been met.
- 66. With regards to incorporating criteria E.C. 6.2 of Rec. 6 and E.C. 9.3 of Rec. 9 in the P&Gs for Administrators of Investment Institutions (AII) and Self-Administered Investment Institutions (SAII), these criteria have been met for the 6th FUR.
- 67. The overall compliance of Recommendation 12 remains outstanding.

Recommendation 14

68. Regarding the clarification of financial institutions, their directors, officers and employees (whether permanent or temporary) are prohibited <u>by law</u> from disclosing ("tipping off") the fact that an STR or related information is being reported or provided to the MOT, the Authorities indicated that the explicit prohibition for directors, officers and employees (whether permanent or temporary) to disclose ("tip off") the fact that an STR or related information is being reported or provided to the MOT; has been included in the draft of the new National Ordinance on Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing. This recommended action has not been met.

Recommendation 16

69. The deficiencies in this Rec. are linked to the identified deficiencies to Recs 13 and 14 in section 3.7 for all DNFBPs. The deficiencies in Rec. 13 have been met with the Regulation on Indicators of Unusual Transactions (MDIUT) in force since May 1st, 2016. The deficiency for Rec. 14 is outstanding as indicated in the previous paragraph. The Authorities have indicated that an explicit indication for DNFBPs has been made in the draft of the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. The recommended action for Rec. 14 has not been met.

³ It is important to note that since the criteria are not basic obligations, (except 5.5.2 b) and 5.7 which are basic obligations marked with asterisk (*) in the Methodology, the criteria can be set out in the P&G which fall in the category of OEM.

- 70. With regard to issuing *legislation* for DNFBPs supervised by the MOT and casinos that includes all the requirements of Recommendations 15 and 21; for this report, the Authorities have indicated that these requirements have been included in the draft of the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. This recommended action has not been met.
- 71. This Recommendation remains outstanding.

Recommendation 17

- 72. With regards to the deficiency related to inclusion of specific provisions to indicate that sanctions apply to directors and senior management of financial institutions, explicit provisions have been made in the draft of the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing to indicate that sanctions apply to directors and senior management of financial institutions. The draft also includes DNFBPs in the provision. The recommended action remains not met.
- 73. Regarding taking immediate action against directors and senior management of unauthorised MTCs, Sint Maarten has elaborated a draft National Ordinance Supervision of Money Remitter Companies. The recommended action has not been met.
- 74. With regard to the power to apply a wide range of sanctions, as indicated in the first follow-up report, the Authorities will address this item in the draft National Ordinance Harmonization of the Supervision Laws and the draft National Ordinance Supervision of Money Remitter Companies which are in legislative process. This deficiency remains outstanding.
- 75. The overall compliance of Recommendation 17 remains outstanding.

- 76. The MER in paragraph 826 relates to the process where Central Bank routinely circulates to financial institutions and publishes on its website, extracts from FATF public statements regarding jurisdictions for which the FATF calls for action. Regarding the need of advising on concerns about weaknesses in the AML/CFT systems, the P&G establishes that (financial) institutions must continuously consult the FATF's, CFATF's and/or the Central Bank's website for the most recent version of the FATF and the CFATF Public Statements. Moreover, the related FATF documents on the High-risk and non-cooperative jurisdictions. In addition, the P&GS have been already amended to request financial institutions to give special attention to business relationships and transactions with persons (individual and legal) from or in countries that do not or insufficiently apply the FATF Recommendations including high-risk and concooperative jurisdictions. An explicit requirement has been included in the National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. **This recommended action has been met.**
- 77. Regarding the ability to apply counter-measures to countries that don't apply or insufficiently apply the FATF Recommendations, the Constitution of Sint Maarten allows to apply counter-measures, as indicated by the Authorities. Explicit provision has been included in the draft Harmonization Law (concerning to financial institutions) and the Draft National Ordinance for Money Remitter Companies; in order to provide the Central Bank of Curaçao and Sint Maarten, the legislative powers to apply counter

measures. The same provision has been included in the National Ordinance of the FIU concerning DNFBPS. The deficiency remains outstanding.

Recommendation 24

- 78. Regarding the evaluator's recommendation to implement adequate AML/CFT regulation and supervision of Casinos in compliance with E.C 24.1, the Authorities indicated that the AML/CFT regulation and supervision of casinos, online gaming companies and lotteries has been included in the draft of the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. ⁴ The recommended action has not been met.
- 79. Aligned with the previous recommendation, it is required that the Authorities implement an AML/CFT regime for Internet casinos. Sint Maarten has include requirements for regulation and supervision of online gaming companies, casinos and lotteries in the draft of the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. The recommended action has not been met.
- 80. In regard to the implementation of an effective supervisory regime and resources to fulfil the supervisory role for the relevant DNFBP sector, provisions have been included in the draft National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing, in the draft National Ordinance on the FIU and in the draft National Ordinance Administrative Enforcement. The recommended action has not been met.
- 81. All the deficiencies identified in section 3.10 (R. 29 and 17) with regard to the supervisory function of the Central Bank should be remedied. The Authorities indicated for this report, that this recommended action has been addressed in the draft Harmonization Law and the draft National Ordinance Supervision on Money Remitter Companies which are in legislative process. The recommended actions have not been met.
- 82. The overall compliance of Recommendation 24 remains outstanding.

- 83. On the recommended action for the MOT to provide feedback with respect to typologies or sanitized cases, and on specific cases that have been closed; the Annual Reports of the FUI for 2012, 2013 and 2014 comprise a comprehensive section on "Analysis of Unusual Transactions" which includes a descriptive section on methods, trends and cases that have been analysed in Sint Maarten. This recommended action has been met.
- 84. Regarding to continue the outreach programme to specifically encompass both feedback and guidance related to UTRs; the Annual Reports of the FUI for 2012, 2013 and 2014 include a section on information related to UTRs. The reports also include information on training provided to financial reporting entities. This recommended action has been met.
- 85. For the recommended action of providing guidance to financial institutions with respect to terrorism financing, the Authorities indicated that the MOT has started with outreach to the FIs concerning TF in December 2015 and January 2016. The training has been developed based on the Egmont ISIL Project reports for the Western Hemisphere. By the

⁴ For the 3rd FUR a proposal was received by the Minister of Justice received to setup the Gaming Control Board. For the 6th FUR, the MOT submitted the first draft of the legislation to the Ministers of Justice and Economic Affairs and Tourism. The legislation proposes to supervise Casinos and Internet Gambling under the purview by the MOT. Consequently, the Authorities indicated that the MOT was delegated by the Council of Ministers, for the responsibility of supervision on Casinos.

elaboration of this report, the FIU was conducting training for DNFBPs in this subject. **This recommended action has been met.**

- 86. Regarding to issue guidance to providers of factoring services, as indicated since the 5th FUR, the CBCS conducted a thorough risk assessment of the factoring services provided on Sint Maarten and reached the conclusion that the business is exposed to very low risk with reference to AML/CFT. Nonetheless the AML/CTF regime for factoring services has been added to the draft National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. This recommended action has not been met.
- 87. With regards, the need of providing adequate guidance to DNFBPs supervised by the MOT and Casinos regarding AML/CFT requirements; the Annual Reports of the FUI for 2012, 2013 and 2014 include a section on "Statistics and Reporting Behaviour" which provides information on statistics of the STRs sent to the MOT and guidance on indicators for the analysis of suspicious transactions. In addition, the P&G provide guidance for the DNFBPS regarding CDD measures, reporting duties, compliance regime and enforcement. This recommended action has been met for DNFBPS.
- 88. However, there is no guidance for Casinos. The authorities have indicated for previous reports, that this recommended action is expected to be sorted out with the legislative measures that are in process. However, Casinos were included in the training programme that was approved at Ministerial level in August 2015. Consequently, the MOT continues performing the outreach programme since 2014. This recommended action has not been met for Casinos.
- 89. On the recommended action of issuing P&Gs, the MOT elaborated Procedures and Guidelines for the following sectors: a) Car dealers and Jewelers b) Real Estate Agents c) Lawyers, Notaries, Independent Legal Professionals and Accountants d) Credit Institutions e) Company Trust Service Providers f) Insurance Companies and Intermediaries (Insurance Brokers) g) Money Transfer Companies and h) Administrators of Investment Institutions and Self-Administrated Investment Institutions. **This recommended action has been met.**
- 90. Although the majority of the recommended actions have been met, the full compliance of Recommendation 25 remains outstanding.

- 91. Regarding financial resources designated to provide training, the Authorities have indicated that the MOT has secured funds for the AML/CFT training of the law enforcement Agencies. It is required to provide information on the training received by the Police Department and the Landsrecherche (Ministry of Justice). For this report, the Authorities also made reference to the Annual reports of 2011-2012, 2013 and 2014; however, the reports don't include information on training provided to law enforcement Authorities during the indicated period. This recommended action has not been met.
- 92. Regarding the operation of MTCs without licenses, Sint Maarten has taken actions as such as: a) coordination between the MOT and the PPO in order to discuss the availability of closing the MTCs operating without license, and discontinuation of the licensing

⁵ As noted for the previous FUR: The MOT has developed the ML/TF training program for all stakeholders (MOT, Police, Customs, PPO, *Landsrecherche*, Tax Office and National Security Agency) The AML/CFT Training Programme II was approved by the Minister of Justice and the Police Department and the Landsrecherche (Ministry of Justice) are expected to receive training.

process with the MTC in question; as indicated in the 4th FUR, b) Notification to the PPO on the illegal operation of MTCs by the CBCS, c) Approach to MTCs in order to urge them to report the unusual transactions by the MOT, d) Start of a case in the Court between the unlicensed MTC and the CBCS which the MTC lost in first instance, as indicated in the 6th FUR. For this report, there is no update on the review of the case by the Appeals Court. However, the Authorities continue working on the regularization of the MTCs and indicated that the deficiency is expected to be addressed with the draft National Ordinance Supervision on Money Remittance Companies, which is in legislative process. This Recommendation has not been met.

93. The overall compliance of Recommendation 27 remains outstanding.

Recommendations 30, 31 and 32

Recommendation 30

- 94. Sint Maarten has taken the following actions to address its deficiencies:
 - As indicated by the Authorities for this and previous FURs, the MOT has joined adequate and competent human resources to perform its duties, as reflected in the Annual Reports. **This recommended action has been met.**
 - In June 2012 the MOT implemented the Sint Maarten Electronic Reporting Tool -SERT Portal- which allows the reporting entities to submit STR in an online platform. It also allows the FIU to analyze STRs base on an alert's system of indicators, in order to produce tactical and operational analysis. **This recommended action has been met.**
 - The MOT has committed financial resources to contract a high level expert (former Head of FIU of Curacao and senior legal/policy officer) to assist FIU Sint Maarten with trainings for the Analyst department and the Supervision department. The training comprises interpretation of AML/CFT law, investigation and analysis of cases. This recommended action has been met.
 - For the previous FUR it was indicated that the connections for offsite electronic data backup are expected to be completed to 2016. This recommended action has not been met.
 - Regarding the need of implementing robust recruiting programmes to fill the vacancies, the Detective Department of the Police Force has been strengthened with two financial investigators. The complement of the Landsrecherche has been expanded to eight (8) investigators. The complement of the Detective Co-operation Team (RST) has been expanded with two (2) detectives to four (4) in total. **This recommended action has been met.**
 - The Customs department received training on AML, particularly focused in case studies regarding cash transactions, cross border transactions and suspicious transactions. Updates on AML /FT /STR training for Tax Department, Landsrecherche, Coast Guard and the KPSM are required. This recommended action has not been met.
 - The Courts of Justice are using the extra facilities provided. **This** recommended action has been met.
- 95. Except for the fourth and sixth bullet point, Recommendation 30 has been considerably met. Its full compliance remains outstanding.

- 96. Regarding the need of establishing the Anti-Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing Committee (CIWG), Sint Maarten adopted the "National Ordinance of 23 July 2014 amending the National Ordinance on the reporting of unusual transactions in connection with the intended joining of the Egmont Group" (AB 2014 no. 51) which establishes The Reporting Center. Based in Art. 3 number 6 g) and h), The Reporting Center maintains contact with and participates in meetings of international and intergovernmental agencies in the field of AML/CFT and is in charge of performing the national coordination of the activities within the context of the implementation of the recommendations of the Caribbean Financial Action Task Force, as well as independently maintaining contact with the Egmont Group within the context of compliance with the recommendations made by these organizations. The reporting center replaces the CIWG. **This recommended action has been met.**
- 97. Regarding the establishment of a mechanism of coordination, the explanatory notes of the AB 2014 no. 51 indicate that The Reporting Center is headed by a Head, who acts as the point of contact for the CFATF; implements the CFATF recommendations, advices upon request and at its own initiative, to the government at a strategic level concerning matters related to the prevention and combating of money laundering and the financing of terrorism; reports to the government concerning the progress of the implementation of the CFATF recommendations; and makes policy and legislative proposals for the promotion of the prevention and combating of money laundering and the financing of terrorism. Based in Art. 3 number 6 g), the head is able to independently conclude covenants or administrative agreements concerning the exchange of data and information with foreign agencies that have duty that is similar to that of the Reporting Center. **This recommended action has been met.**

98. Recommendation 31 has been fully met.

- 99. Statistics on investigations, prosecutions and convictions of ML related cases have not been provided. This recommended action has not been met.
- 100. With regards statistics on requests for additional information by the MOT to reporting entities, the MOT has requested the following information to reporting entities.

Article 12 requests to reporting entities in Sint Maarten							
2010-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015			
12	50	62	32	48			

This recommended action has been met.

- 101.On statistics of training sessions to reporting entities, the Annual Reports for 2010-2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 provide information on the informative/training sessions addressed to financial reporting entities; with regards their reporting obligation, reporting procedure, correct way to report, FATF recommendations, PEPs, cases of ML/TF, FIU and its legal duties. **This recommended action has been met.**
- 102.Regarding the maintenance of statistics respect to requests made to foreign MOTs, the Annual Reports 2010-2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 comprise a section of "International requests to and from other countries"; including information shared through MOU's and international exchange of information regarding requests from other countries and requests made by the MOT to other FIUS. **This recommended action has been met.**
- 103. The overall compliance of Recommendation 32 remains outstanding.

Recommendation 33

104.All the recommended actions for the compliance of this Rec. are expected to be addressed with the legislative reforms. The recommended actions were included in the draft National Ordinance on the FIU, draft National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing, draft Harmonization of the Supervision Law and draft National Ordinance Supervision of Money Remitter Companies. The amendment of the NDCBSC will be discussed with the Central Bank, as it is a uniform decree.

105. The overall compliance of Recommendation 33 remains outstanding.

Recommendation 39

106. The deficiencies noted for Rec. 36 and SRII, also apply for Recommendation 39.

107.Except for the above indicated, the criminalization of TF was criminalized according with the Convention for FT and is included in Art. 2:55 of the Penal Code, which is in force since July 1st. 2015. For the 6th FUR the Authorities indicated that the draft Criminal Procedures Code was reviewed by the Council for advice and the Minister of Justice made the adaptation in conformity with the advices received. Thereafter it was expected to be submitted again to the Council of Ministers and Parliament.

108. This Recommendation has not been met.

Special Recommendation VI

109.Regarding the two recommended actions: a) Shut the operations of unauthorised MTCs and b) Update the Central Bank on the number of agents and sub agents, the provisions were formalized in the draft National Ordinance on Supervision of the Money Remitter Companies. SRVI has not been met.

Special Recommendation VII

110.On the recommended action of set requirements with respect to this Recommendation, Sint Maarten has included this requirements in the draft National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. This Recommendation has not been met.

Special Recommendation VIII

111.Sint Maarten is considering how the requirements for NPO, will be addressed. It is been discussed whether to incorporate them in the draft National Ordinance combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing or in the Civil Code. None of the recommended actions have been met.

Special Recommendation IX

112.Regarding the following recommended actions: a) A declaration system to be completed by all passengers, instead of the ad hoc disclosure system currently in place. b). A system to restrain currency when there is suspicion of ML or TF. c). Maintenance of statistics evidencing Custom's effectiveness in the area of international cooperation; the Authorities have indicated that these requirements have been included in the draft

National Ordinance to amend the National Ordinance Cross-border Declaration and Disclosure. These recommended actions have not been met.

- 113. With regards establishing a process for confiscation of currency and negotiable instruments when implementing the UNSCR 1373 and 1267; the Sanctions National Decree of 17th of February 2016 (AB 2016 No. 10) establishes in Art. 1 its applicability for the implementation of UNSCRS 1373 and 1267, among others. Art. 6 numbers 1 to 4, establishes the following: a) process to designate persons or organizations referred to in Resolution 1373 of the UNSCR, b) freezing of resources belonging to them, c) prohibition of the provision of financial services and d) prohibition of making the funds available for such persons or organizations. Apparently the described process is not applicable to UNSCR 1267, since there is no reference to UNSCR 1267 in Art. 6 of AB 2016 No. 10. This recommended action is partially met.
- 114.Regarding a system to identify the source, destination and purpose of movement of gold or other precious metals and stones; the Authorities cited the Annual Reports for 2010-211, 2012, 2013 and 2014; which comprise several statistics with information on the jeweler sector. Notwithstanding, there is no information regarding the system that has been putted in place to identify the source, destination and purpose of movement of gold and precious metals and stones. This recommended action has not been met.
- 115. The recommended action of implementing a structure for the training and targeted programmes for Customs, was met for the 6th FUR. The Authorities indicated that training and targeted programmes for Customs were included in the Training Programme II approved by the Minister and started to be executed in August 2015. The Customs Department received training in September 2015. Additionally, for this report, the Authorities made reference to the Annual Reports for 2010-2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014. This recommended action has been met.
- 116.Regarding to ensure that the relevant authorities posse timely access to suspicious cash declarations or disclosures, or intentional lack of disclosures of information; the Authorities cited the Annual Reports for 2010-211, 2012, 2013 and 2014. Notwithstanding, there is no information regarding the access to suspicious cash declarations or disclosures, or intentional lack of disclosures of information. This recommended action has not been met.

V. Conclusion

- 117.Sint Maarten continues working on strengthening their legal framework through several amendments to the laws particularly with the National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing, which comprises the provisions of the NOIS and NORUT.
- 118.Sint Maarten, also continues in the process of review and pass the following legislation:

 a) Criminal Procedures Code,
 b) draft National Ordinance of the FIU,
 c) draft Harmonization of the Supervision Laws,
 d) draft National Ordinance for Supervision of MTC's,
 and
 d) draft National Ordinance to amend the National Ordinance Cross-border Declaration and Disclosure.
- 119. The Ministerial Decree containing the establishment of Indicators of the Unusual Transactions National Ordinance (MDIUT) is in force and amended various recommended actions. The FIU finalized the Annual Reports for 2010-2011, 2012, 2013

- and 2014; which compile information on typologies, training, statistics of STRS, mutual legal assistance and international cooperation; among other information.
- 120. For this report, Sint Maarten fully met the Core Recommendations 13 and IV and Key Recommendation 26. Except for the element of dissuasiveness and proportionality of the sanctions, Core Recommendation II was considerably met.
- 121. Sint Maarten is urged to provide deadlines for the review of the drafted legislation and provide the outline of the legislative process indicating the deadlines for each one of the laws that are being drafted. It is also recommended that Sint Maarten remains in expedited follow-up and reports to the November 2016 Plenary.

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Matrix with ratings and follow-up action plan $3^{\rm rd}$ round Mutual Evaluation Sint Maarten Changes since last Report November 2015, are highlighted in bold

Forty	Rati	Summary of factors underlying rating ⁶	Recommended Action	Undertaken Action
Recommendatio	ng			
ns				
Legal systems				
1. ML offence	LC	 No confirmation that illicit arms trafficking, smuggling, insider trading and market manipulation are criminalised as ML predicate offenses. The Penal Code is not applicable to anyone who outside of Sint Maarten committed the crimes of ML; TF and most of the non-terrorist related predicate offences. 	 The Authorities should ensure criminalization of the following predicate offenses: illicit arms trafficking, smuggling, insider trading and market manipulation. The Penal Code should be amended to ensure that most of the non-terrorist related predicate offences for ML, ML and TF occurred in a foreign country can be prosecuted in Sint Maarten. 	Article 1:5 of the proposed PC SXM creates jurisdiction in cases of TF (currently article 4 and 4a PC). The money laundering offences apply to All crimes (articles 2:404, 2:405, 2:406 Penal Code SXM, currently punishable in articles 435a, 435b, 435c Penal Code), thus including the mentioned ones. Next to that the proposed article 2:54 and 2:55 PC SXM creates the crime of aiding or abetting a terrorist crime under which financing also can be deemed as a crime (currently dealt with in the articles articles 435a, 435b, 435c Penal Code combined with 48a paragraph three (with explicitly mentions the financing of terrorism). The Proposed article 2:55 the financing of crime is punishable as a severe crime. The switching provision of 2:224 (currently 96) makes the general provisions of the first book of the Penal Code applicable to all other Criminal laws The Introduction Ordinance (IO) to enact the Penal Code was reviewed by the Council of Advice. The Council of Ministers is preparing submission of the IO to Parliament for approval. The Introduction Ordinance (IO) to enact the Penal Code has been by Parliament on February 27 th , 2015. Both recommended actions concerning

These factors are only required to be set out when the rating is less than Compliant.

				FATF rec 1 are hereby incorporated in the Penal Code. THE PENAL CODE ENTERED INTO FORCE ON JUNE 1, 2015. ALL PREDICATE OFFENSES HAVE BEEN INCORPORATED INTO THE PENAL CODE AND OTHER ORDINANCES (info sent to CFATF secretariat). Penal Code Sint Maarten came into force July 1 st , 2015. ✓ All predicate offenses are criminalized. 1. Illicit arms trafficking (Penal Code Article 1:118 e, in conjunction with Munition Decree Article 6, and Weapons Decree Article 1). 2. Human smuggling (Penal Code Article 2:239). 3. Insider trading and market manipulation (Penal Code Article 2:311 and Article 2:321) ✓ All the non-terrorist related predicate offences for ML and TF occurred in a foreign country can be prosecuted in Sint Maarten. See list on pages 5-6 of Note concerning Ministerial Decree Indicators Unusual Transactions (MDIUT).
2. ML offence – mental element and corporate liability	LC	 No evidence that parallel civil and criminal proceedings are possible. The manner in which the data was captured did not allow for proper assessment of the effectiveness of ML prosecutorial efforts. Penalty applicable to culpable ML is not sufficiently dissuasive 	• Amend the Penal Code to ensure that parallel criminal and civil proceedings are possible The penalty applicable for a person convicted for culpable ML should be revised to ensure it is effective, dissuasive and proportionate	Culpable ML in the proposed article 2:406 PC SXM (currently article 435c PC) is punishable with 4 years. Due to this duration of the penalty other effective measures are possible for the prosecution. The switching provision of 2:224 (currently 96) makes the general provisions of the first book of the Penal Code applicable to all other Criminal laws The Introduction Ordinance (IO) to enact the Penal Code was reviewed by the Council of Advice. The

				Council of Ministers is preparing submission of the IO to Parliament for approval. The Introduction Ordinance (IO) to enact the Penal Code has been by Parliament on February 27th, 2015. The recommended action concerning FATF rec 2 is hereby incorporated in the Penal Code. PENAL CODE ENTERED INTO FORCE ON JUNE 1, 2015. THE PENALTY APPLICABLE FOR A PERSON CONVICTED FOR CULPABLE ML HAS BEEN REVISED TO ENSURE ITS EFFECTIVENESS, DISSUASIVENESS AND PROPORTIONATENESS. Culpable ML in Article 2:406 of the Penal Code is punishable with 4 years. The duration of the penalty makes other effective measures possible for the prosecution. The switching provisions of the first book of the Penal Code applicable to all other criminal laws. Parallel criminal and civil procedures are no longer part of recommendation 3. It makes sense to carry out a criminal procedure.
3. Confiscation and provisional measures	PC	 Effectiveness issues The powers to confiscate or take provisional measures in relation to terrorist financing or some predicate offences for ML are limited (please see ratings R1 and SRII) Confiscation measures (under both pre-conviction and post-conviction circumstances) in the Penal Code do not allow for the measures to be imposed without notice. 	 The Penal Code should ensure the effective applicability of Sint Maarten's confiscation mechanisms to Terrorist Financing offences according to the TF Convention and all the designated categories of predicate offenses (refer to paragraph 277). The Authorities should ensure that comprehensive statistics are maintained in relation to the investigation, prosecution, and conviction of ML related cases. 	In the proposed PC SXM the articles 2:54 and 2:55 criminalize TF. Via the proposed article of 1:77 (currently 38e) (a separate and/or parallel procedure to the criminal proceedings) Post-conviction measures can be imposed. The pre-conviction measures have been added to the new draft Criminal Procedure Code of CUR, AUA, SXM and the BES-islands. The switching provision of 2:224 (currently 96) makes the

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Based on the insufficient statistics effectiveness of	• The confiscation measures under the Penal	general provisions of the first book of the Penal
the confiscation regime could not be confirmed.	Code should be revised to allow for the pre-	Code applicable to all other Criminal laws.
	conviction and post-conviction measures to	The Introduction Ordinance (IO) to enact the Penal
	be imposed without notice.	Code was reviewed by the Council of Advice. The
		Council of Ministers is preparing submission of
		the IO to Parliament for approval.
		The Introduction Ordinance (IO) to enact the Penal
		Code has been by Parliament on February 27 th ,
		2015. The recommended actions concerning
		FATF rec 3 are hereby incorporated in the Penal
		Code.
		PENAL CODE ENTERED INTO FORCE ON
		JUNE 1, 2015. CONFISCATION
		MECHANISMS HAVE BEEN REVISED AND
		UPDATED. POST-CONFISCATION
		MEASURES ARE NOW IN PLACE (SEE
		ABOVE ELUCIDATION). THE DRAFT
		CRIMINAL PROCEDURES CODE HAS BEEN
		REVIEWED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ADVICE
		AND THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE IS
		MAKING THE ADAPTATION IN
		CONFORMITY WITH THE ADVICES
		RECEIVED. HEREAFTER IT WILL BE
		SUBMITTED AGAIN TO THE COUNCIL OF
		MINISTERS AND THEREAFTER TO
		PARLIAMENT.
		ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES
		HAVE BEEN INFORMED BY THE HEAD OF
		THE FIU THAT STATISTICS MUST BE
		MAINTAINED.
		This deficiency has been included in the draft
		Criminal Procedures Code, which has passed
		through the Council of Advice and is now
		awaiting the submitting to Parliament by the
		Council of Ministers.

				Pending to receive statistics from the PPO. Article 119 and article 119a allow for preconviction measures to be imposed without notice in advance. Notice is only given after the confiscation measure has been carried out and nowhere in the Penal Code or any other law is it stated that notice must be given in advance of a confiscation measure. Post-conviction measures are imposed under Article 1:73 up to and including Article 1:79 of the Penal Code. Furthermore, in the 2012 FATF Recommendations (updated in 2013 and 2015) this subject matter is only mentioned under Recommendations 6 and 7. It has therefore been included in the draft of the National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing to amend the Sanctions National Ordinance. The Penal Code was enacted on July 1st, 2015.
Preventive measures				
4. Secrecy laws consistent with the Recommendations	LC	No clear provision for the MOT as supervisor to exchange information with other foreign supervisors.	MOT as supervisor should have the possibility to exchange information with other local and international supervisory authorities	MOT as supervisor does have the possibility to exchange information on the reporting behaviour with other local supervisors. This can be done based on article 6, paragraph 2 of the NORUT. The MOT is preparing a draft law in which the NORUT and the NOIS are merged and updated. In this new law the possibility of sharing information with foreign supervisors will be included. STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE

				THE ACTUAL MERGING OF THE NORUT AND THE NOIS IS TAKING PLACE NOW AND THE FINALIZATION OF THE DRAFT IS FORSEEN IN JANUARY 2016. The possibility to exchange information with other local and international supervisory authorities has been included in (1) the draft National Ordinance on the FIU, (2) the draft Harmonization of the Supervision Laws and (3) the draft National Ordinance Supervision of Money Remitter Offices.
5. Customer due diligence	PC	 The current version versions of the NOIS and NORUT do not adequately cover the scope of financial services activities and operations conducted by financial institutions that are subject to AML/CFT requirements. Activities and operations not covered include: Lending (factoring) Financial leasing Financial guarantees and commitments Trading in money market instruments Participation in securities issues and the provision of financial services related to such issues Individual and collective portfolio management Certain categories of financial services providers are not covered in the scope of the NOIS and NORUT: Intermediaries operating in the Curacao Stock Exchange (DCSX) Life insurance agents Ministerial Decree for the Implementation of the NOIS (N.G. 2010, no. 11) does not specify or 	 Sint Maarten should urgently amend the NOIS and NORUT to incorporate the full range of activities and operations of financial institutions, including explicit wording with respect to lending; financial leasing; financial guarantees and commitments; trading in a) money market instruments, b) foreign exchange, c) transferable securities, commodity futures; participation in securities issues and the provision of financial services related to such issues; individual and collective portfolio management; factoring services and insurance activities conducted by agents. Furthermore, all intermediaries operating in the Curacao Stock Exchange (DCSX) should be covered by these national ordinances. There should be explicit requirements in law or regulation for CDD to be undertaken when carrying out occasional transactions 	The NOIS and the NORUT are being revised to reflect the recommended changes. The actions under bullet points letters a through c 1 through 6 will be addressed in the new draft law consisting of the merged and updated NORUT and NOIS. Please note that these issues are moreover already incorporated in the P&Gs. Please be referred to: page 11 of the P&G CI under CDD. Page 22 of the P&G IC under Wire transfer. Page 11 of the P&G MTC third bullet of the third paragraph under CDD. Please be referred to: page 12 of the P&G CI paragraph CDD under Resident customer. Page 13 of the P&G SAI under Verification of identity. Page 13 of the P&G TSP under Verification of the identity of resident individuals. Page 13 of the P&G IC under Resident customers. Please be referred to: page 11 of the P&G CI under CDD fifth paragraph. Page 12 of the P&G IC under CDD fifth bullet. Page 11 of the P&G MTC

- cross-reference any threshold for occasional transactions that are wire transfers, and it is unclear whether Article 4 of the Ministerial Decree (referencing article 1, paragraph one, section b., under 7, of the NOIS) apply to wire transfers.
- There are no provisions in law or regulation for a financial institution to undertake CDD measures when it has doubts about the veracity or adequacy of previously obtained customer identification data.
- The basic obligation to conduct CDD when there
 is a suspicion of money laundering or terrorist
 financing, regardless of any exemptions or
 thresholds that are referred to elsewhere under the
 FATF Recommendations is not set out in law or
 regulation.
- The basic obligation to conduct ongoing due diligence is not specified in law or regulation
- The requirement to verify the identity of customers and beneficial owners before the establishment of business relations is not always practical.
- There are no provisions for insurance companies and insurance brokers to re-examine the relationship with the client to determine whether to terminate and whether to report to the MOT if doubts arise relating to the identity of the client after the client has been accepted and accounts have been opened

- that are wire transfers, as per the Interpretive Note to SR VII.
- Require financial institutions, through law or regulation, to undertake CDD measures when they have doubts about the veracity or adequacy of previously obtained customer identification data.
- Require financial institutions, through law or regulation, to conduct CDD when there is a suspicion of money laundering or terrorist financing, regardless of any exemptions or thresholds that are referred to elsewhere under the FATF Recommendations.
- Require financial institutions, through law or regulation, to conduct ongoing due diligence.
- The requirement to verify the identity of customers and beneficial owners before the establishment of business relations is not always practical. Sint Maarten should amend the NOIS to allow for verification at after the establishment of a business relationship in specified circumstances.
- Require insurance companies and insurance brokers to re-examine the relationship with the client to determine whether to terminate and whether to report to the MOT if doubts arise relating to the identity of the client after the client has been accepted and accounts have been opened.

2nd paragraph. Page 11 of the P&G SAI under II.2.A Detection and deterrence of money.

Please be referred to: page 12 of the P&G IC under CDD third paragraph. Laundering. Page 11 P&G CTSP 2nd paragraph.

The NOIS and the NORUT will be merged and updated to reflect all recommended actions concerning FATF rec 5.

STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. The P&G have been updated by the CBCS to reflect the recommended actions concerning FATF rec 5. THE ACTUAL MERGING OF THE NORUT AND THE NOIS IS TAKING PLACE NOW AND THE FINALIZATION OF THE DRAFT IS FORSEEN IN JANUARY 2016.

The full range of activities and operations of financial institutions, with respect to lending; financial leasing; financial guarantees and commitments; trading in

a) money market instruments, b) foreign exchange, c) transferable securities, commodity futures; participation in securities issues and the provision of financial services related to such issues; individual and collective portfolio management; factoring services and insurance activities conducted by agents has been included in the draft of the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. All intermediaries operating in the Dutch Caribbean Securities Exchange (DCSX) are covered in the draft.

	The requirement for CDD to be undertaken
	when carrying out occasional transactions that
	are wire transfers has been included in the draft
	of the new National Ordinance Combatting
	Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing.
	The requirement for financial institutions to
	undertake CDD measures when they have
	doubts about the veracity or adequacy of
	previously obtained customer identification
	data has been included in the draft of the new
	National Ordinance Combatting Money
	Laundering and Terrorism Financing.
	The requirement for financial institutions to
	conduct CDD when there is a suspicion of
	money laundering or terrorist financing,
	regardless of any exemptions or thresholds has
	been included in the draft of the new National
	Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and
	Terrorism Financing.
	The requirement for financial institutions to
	conduct ongoing due diligence has been
	included in the draft of the new National
	Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering
	and Terrorism Financing.
	The requirement to allow for verification at or
	after the establishment of a business
	relationship in specified circumstances has
	been included in the draft of the new National
	Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and
	Terrorism Financing.
	The requirement for insurance companies and
	insurance brokers to re-examine the
	relationship with the client to determine
	whether to terminate and whether to report to
	the MOT if doubts arise relating to the identity
	of the client after the client has been accepted

				and accounts have been opened has been included in the draft of the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing.
6. Politically exposed persons.	LC	No clear requirements within the P&Gs for financial institutions to put in place appropriate risk management system to determine whether a potential customer, customer or beneficial owner is a PEP.	Amend the P&Gs to state that FIs should put in place appropriate risk management system to determine whether a potential customer, customer or beneficial owner is a PEP.	The recommended action has been incorporated in the P&G for IC & IB. For your convenience the amended section is highlighted in yellow. STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. The P&G have been updated by the CBCS to reflect the recommended action concerning FATF rec 6. THE ACTUAL MERGING OF THE NORUT AND THE NOIS IS TAKING PLACE NOW AND THE FINALIZATION OF THE DRAFT IS FORSEEN IN JANUARY 2016. The P&Gs have been amended to state that the FIs must have an appropriate risk management in place to determine whether a potential customer or beneficial owner is a PEP. The amended P&Gs for FIs were sent to the secretariat of the CFATF by email dated September 11 th , 2013. This recommendation has been included in the draft of the National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing.
7. Correspondent banking	LC	 Only the P&G for CI contain specific provisions on correspondent banking activities. No similar provisions exist for other types of financial institutions. There are no provisions for financial institutions to assess the respondent institution's AML/CFT controls, and to ascertain that they are adequate and effective. 	 Correspondent activities provisions should be incorporated in all the other P&Gs, similar to the P&G for CI, which contains specific provisions on correspondent banking activities. The P&Gs should require the respondent institution's AML/CFT controls, and to 	Where relevant the recommended action has been incorporated in the P&Gs. For your convenience the amended section is highlighted in yellow. STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. The P&G have been updated by the CBCS to reflect the recommended actions concerning FATF rec 7.

			ascertain that they are adequate and effective. THE ACTUAL MERGING OF THE NORU AND THE NOIS IS TAKING PLACE NOW AND THE FINALIZATION OF THE DRAFT IN FORSEEN IN JANUARY 2016. The correspondent activities provisions have been incorporated in all other P&Gs, similar to the P&G for CI. The amended P&Gs were set to the secretariat of the CFATF by email dates September 11th, 2013. The P&Gs have been amended to require the respondent institution's AML/CFT control and to ascertain that they are adequate an effective. The amended P&Gs were sent to the secretariat of the CFATF by email dates September 11th, 2013. This recommendation has been included in the draft of the National Ordinance Combattin Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing
8. Non face to face and new technologies.	LC	There is no requirement for MTC to comply with criteria 8.2 and 8.2.1	•P&Gs for MTCs should incorporate requirements regarding E.C 8.2 and EC 8.2.1 The recommended action has been incorporated the P&G for MTC. For your convenience the amended section is highlighted in yellow. STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. The P&G have been updated by the CBCS to reflect the recommended action concerning FATF rec 8. THE ACTUAL MERGING OF THE NORU AND THE NOIS IS TAKING PLACE NOW AND THE FINALIZATION OF THE DRAFT IS FORSEEN IN JANUARY 2016. The P&Gs have been amended to incorporate the requirements regarding E.C 8.2 and E. 8.2.1. The amended P&Gs were sent to the secretariat of the CFATF by email date September 11th, 2013.

	P.C.			This recommendation for both countries and service providers has been included in the draft of the National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing.
9. Third parties and introducers	PC	 The "adequately supervised" criterion in the P&Gs is not in line with the requirements of essential criteria 9.3. The sources through which financial institutions should satisfy themselves that a third party is adequately regulated is limited to Mutual Evaluation Reports. There are no requirements for MTC to comply with Recommendation 9 	 Amend the "adequately supervised" provisions of the P&Gs, in line with the requirements of essential criteria 9.2, which requires that financial institutions satisfy themselves that the third party is regulated and supervised (in accordance with Recommendation 23, 24 and 29) and has measures in place to comply with the CDD requirements set out in Recommendation 5 and Recommen 10. Amend the P&G's to require that financial institutions satisfy themselves that the third party adequately regulated and supervised by referring more broadly to reports assessments and reviews of reports produced by the FATF, IMF or FSRBs, rather than specifically to Mutual Evaluation Reports. P&Gs for MTC should incorporate requirements to comply with Recommendation 9. 	The recommended action has been incorporated in the P&Gs. For your convenience the amended section is highlighted in yellow. The recommended action has been incorporated in the P&Gs. For your convenience the amended section is highlighted in yellow. The recommended action has been incorporated in the P&G for MTC. For your convenience the amended section is highlighted in yellow. STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. The P&G have been updated by the CBCS to reflect the recommended actions concerning FATF rec 9. THE ACTUAL MERGING OF THE NORUT AND THE NOIS IS TAKING PLACE NOW AND THE FINALIZATION OF THE DRAFT IS FORSEEN IN JANUARY 2016. The P&Gs have been amended in line with the requirements of essential criteria 9.2, which requires that financial institutions satisfy themselves that the third party is regulated and supervised (in accordance with Recommendation 23, 24 and 29) and has measures in place to comply with the CDD requirements set out in Recommendation 5 and Recommendation 10. The amended P&Gs were sent to the secretariat of the CFATF by email dated September 11 th , 2013.

				The P&Gs have been amended to require that financial institutions satisfy themselves that the third party is adequately regulated and supervised by referring more broadly to reports assessments and reviews of reports produced by the FATF, IMF or FSRBs, rather than specifically to Mutual Evaluation Reports. The amended P&Gs were sent to the secretariat of the CFATF by email dated September 11 th , 2013.
10. Record-	PC	• The obligation under E.C. 10.1, which compels	The NOIS should be amended to reflect the	The P&Gs for MTC have been amended to require MTC to comply with Recommendation 9. The amended P&Gs were sent to the secretariat of the CFATF by email dated September 11 th , 2013. This recommendation has been included in the draft of the National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. The NOIS is being amended to reflect the
keeping		 financial institutions to maintain all necessary records on transactions, is not clearly stipulated in law or regulation. The obligation to maintain records of business correspondence for at least five years following the termination of an account or business relationship is not stated in law or regulation. The obligation under E.C. 10.3 requiring that all customer and transaction records and information be available to competent authorities upon appropriate authority on a timely basis should be in law or regulation 	 The NOIS should be affelded to reflect the obligation to maintain all necessary records on transactions, both domestic and international for five years following the termination of an account or business relationship (or longer if requested by the competent authority in specific cases and upon proper authority). The NOIS should be amended to reflect the obligation to maintain records of business correspondence for at least five years following the termination of an account or business relationship 	recommended actions under the first and second bullet points. The MOT is preparing a draft law in which the NORUT and the NOIS are merged and updated. In this new law the obligation to maintain all necessary records on transactions, both domestic and international for a period of five years following the termination of an account or business relationship is included. STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. THE ACTUAL MERGING OF THE NORUT AND THE NOIS IS TAKING PLACE NOW

11.Unusual transactions	LC	• There are no specific provisions in the P&Gs for financial institutions to keep documented findings regarding complex, unusual large transactions, or unusual patterns of transactions, available for competent authorities and auditors for at least five years.	• The P&Gs should be amended to incorporate specific provisions for FIs to keep documented findings of their findings regarding complex, unusual large transactions, or unusual patterns of transactions, available for competent authorities and auditors for at least five years.	AND THE FINALIZATION OF THE DRAFT IS FORSEEN IN JANUARY 2016. The obligation to maintain all necessary records on domestic and international transactions for five years (or longer if requested by the competent authority in specific cases and upon proper authority) following the termination of an account or business relationship has been included in the draft of the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. The obligation to maintain records of business correspondence for at least five years following the termination of an account or business relationship has been included in the draft of the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. The P&Gs have been amended to incorporate the recommended action. For your convenience the amended section is highlighted in yellow. STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. The P&G have been updated by the CBCS to reflect the recommended action concerning FATF rec 11. THE ACTUAL MERGING OF THE NORUT AND THE NOIS IS TAKING PLACE NOW AND THE FINALIZATION OF THE DRAFT IS FORSEEN IN JANUARY 2016.
				specific provisions for FIs to document their findings regarding complex, unusual large transactions, or unusual patterns of

				transactions, available for competent authorities and auditors for at least five years. The amended P&Gs were sent to the secretariat of the CFATF by email dated September 11th, 2013. This recommendation has been included in the draft of the National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing.
12. DNFBP-R.5, 6, 8–11	NC	 The threshold for identification requirements for casinos is not in accordance FATF standard. No AML/CFT requirements for internet casinos. No requirements, by law or regulation for DNFBPs regarding criteria 5.2.c. 5.2.d, 5.2.e and 5.7 No requirements for DNFBPs supervised by the MOT and casinos regarding criteria 5.6 to 5.11, 5.16 and 5.17 The deficiencies in section 3.5 for Rec. 10 which are applicable to all DNFBPs No legislation i.e. law or guidelines for DNFBPs supervised by the MOT and casinos that includes all the requirements of recommendations 6, 8, 9 and 11. No requirements for SAII and AII regarding criteria 6.1 and 9.3 	 The threshold for identification requirements for casinos in legislation should be amended in accordance with the FATF standard. AML/CFT requirements should apply to internet casinos. DNFBPs should be required by law or regulation to comply with 5.2.c. 5.2.d, 5.2.e and 5.7 of Recommendation 5 Authorities should put legislation for DNFBPs supervised by the MOT and casinos with the requirements of criteria 5.5.2, 5.6 to 5.11, 5.16 and 5.17 of recommendation 5. The deficiencies in section 3.5 for Recommendation 10 which are applicable to all DNFBPs should be remedied. The Authorities in Sint Maarten should issue legislation for DNFBPs supervised by the MOT and casinos that includes all the requirements of recommendations 6, 8, 9 and 11. Central Bank should incorporate in the P&Gs for SAII and AII requirements regarding E.C 6.2 of Recommendation 6 and E.C 9.3 of Recommendation 9 	The NOIS and the NORUT are being amended to incorporate the recommended actions under the first two bullet points. The MOT is preparing a draft law in which the NORUT and the NOIS are merged and updated. In this new law the threshold for identification requirements for casinos in accordance with the FATF standard is included. THE MOT IS BUSY WITH THE MERGING OF THE NORUT AND THE NOIS IN WHICH THE RECOMMENDED ACTIONS WILL BE INCORPORATED. The P&Gs for DNFBPs have been amended to incorporate recommendation 5. You are referred to the enclosed P&Gs of the DNFBPs: Car dealers and Jewellers: pages 9-22 8-25. Real Estate Agents: pages: 9-24 8-25. Professionals: pages 11-24 9-26. 5.2c-5.2d-5.2eCar dealers and jewellers: page 8 Real Estate: page 8 Professionals: page 9 5.5.2 Car dealers and jewellers: page 9 b + re.a + re.b

		Real Estate: page 9 b + re.a + re.b
		Professionals: page 10 b + re.a + re.b
		5.6
		Car dealers and jewellers: page 9.c
		Real Estate: page 9.c
		Professionals: page 10.c
		Professionals, page 10.c
		5.7
		Car dealers and jewellers: page 9.d
		Real Estate: page 9.d
		Professionals: page 10.d
		5.11
		Car dealers and jewellers: page 17
		Real Estate: page 17
		Professionals: page 18
		5.16
		Car dealers and jewellers: page 10
		Real Estate: page 10
		Professionals: page 11
		Tolessionals, page 11
		5.17
		Car dealers and jewellers: page 8
		Real Estate: page 8
		Professionals: page 9
		6.1
		Car dealers and jewellers: page 20
		Real Estate: page 20
		Professionals: page 21
		9.3
		Car dealers and jewellers: page 14
		Real Estate: page 14
		rear Boute, page 11

	Professionals: page 15
	Trotessionals. page 13
	The P&Gs for DNFBPs have been amended to
	incorporate recommendation 10. You are referred
	to the enclosed P&Gs of the DNFBPs:
	Car dealers and Jewellers: pages 16-17 15-16 + 29.
	Real Estate Agents: pages 17-18 14-16 + 29. Professionals: page 18 15-17 + 30.
	Trolessionals. page 10 13 17 + 30.
	The P&Gs for DNFBPs have been amended to
	incorporate recommendation 6. You are referred to
	the enclosed P&Gs of the DNFBPs:
	Car dealers and Jewellers: pages 19-20 19-20 + 25. Real Estate Agents: pages 21-22 19-20 + 25.
	Professionals: pages 21-22 20-21 + 26.
	For the incorporation of recommendation 9 you
	are referred to the P&Gs for DNFBPs: Car dealers and Jewellers: pages 14-15 14. Real
	Estate Agents: pages 15-16 14. Professionals:
	pages 16-17 15.
	STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. The P&G
	have been updated by the MOT to reflect the recommended actions concerning FATF rec 12.
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	The P&G for SAII and AII have been updated to
	include EC 5.3 to 5.6, the deficiencies identified in
	section 3 and the deficiencies in section 3.5 for Rec 10.
	The P&G for SAII and AII has been amended to
	implement the recommended actions.
	For your convenience the amended section is
	highlighted in yellow.

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		STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. The P&G have been updated by the CBCS to reflect the recommended actions concerning FATF rec 12. THE ACTUAL MERGING OF THE NORUT AND THE NOIS IS TAKING PLACE NOW AND THE FINALIZATION OF THE DRAFT IS FORSEEN IN JANUARY 2016.
		FORSEEN IN JANUARY 2016. The threshold for identification for casinos has been amended in the draft of the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. The internet casinos (online gaming) has been added in the draft of the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. The criteria 5.2.c, 5.2.d, 5.2.e and 5.7 of Recommendation 5 have been added to the draft of the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. The criteria 5.5.2, 5.6 to 5.11, 5.16 and 5.17 of recommendation 5 have been added to the draft of the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. The supervision of (1) casinos, (2) lotteries and (3) internet gaming have been added to the abovementioned draft.
		The criterium 3.5 of recommendation 10 has been added to the draft of the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. The requirements of recommendations 6, 8, 9 and 11 have been added to the draft of the new

13. Suspicious transaction reporting	NC	 The scope of UTR reporting may not be as extensive as required by FATF as some designated categories of predicate offenses for ML are not covered in Sint Maarten (see R1). It is unclear that suspicious transactions apply regardless of whether they involve tax matters. <i>Effectiveness issues</i> Heavy reliance on objective indicators (i.e threshold). The burden of reporting subjective (rules based) indicators could detract from the FIs reporting genuine suspicious transactions. 	 Sint Maarten should ensure that all designated categories of predicate offenses for ML are covered in order to eliminate the restrictions in the UTR reporting system in this regard (refer to paragraph 277) Sint Maarten should consider express provisions in law regulation or other enforceable means to require that suspicious transactions should be reported regardless of whether they involve tax matters. The MDIUT should be amended to allow the reporting entities to identify suspicion of ML or FT and avoid reliance on the prescriptive indicators. 	National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. The requirement E.C 6.2 of recommendation 6 and E.C 9.3 of recommendation 9 have been incorporated in the P&Gs for SAAII and AII. The amended P&Gs were sent to the secretariat of the CFATF by email dated September 11 th , 2013. All designated categories of predicate offenses for ML are covered in the new Penal Code. The comments (which were all non-ML and TF) have been processed in the Penal Code and the ordinance to introduce the PC should be ready and in force by the end of March 2014Penal Code. The IO to introduce the Penal Code will be enacted by the end of the year 2014. THE INTRODUCTION ORDINANCE (IO) WAS APPROVED BY PARLIAMENT ON FEBRUARY 27 th 2015. The Ministerial Decree on indicators, although not explicitly mentioned, does not exclude tax matters when reporting a suspicious transaction. Suspicious UTR takes place whether or not it involves a tax matter. The MDIUT will be amended to allow reporting entities to identify suspicion of ML or FT to avoid reliance only on the prescriptive indicators.
				reliance only on the prescriptive indicators. The amended MDIUT will go into force in November 2014. STATUS QUO; THE MDIUT IS EXPECTED TO BE UPDATED IN APRIL 2015.

				THE DRAFT MDIUT IS READY TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE FOR APPROVAL AND SIGNING. EXPECTED DATE OF THE MDIUT TO ENTER INTO FORCE: MAY 1, 2016. The MDIUT has been amended to include all designated categories of predicate offenses for ML and to eliminate the restrictions in the UTR system. The amended MDIUT was sent to the CFATF secretariat on March 23 rd , 2016. The MDIUT was amended to require that
				suspicious transactions be reported regardless of whether they involve any underlying crime, including tax matters. The amended MDIUT was sent to the CFATF secretariat on March 23 rd , 2016. The MDIUT was amended to allow the DNFBP and the FIs to report suspicious transactions. The amendment shows a move from a rule based to a risk based approach. The amended MDIUT was sent to the CFATF secretariat on March 23 rd , 2016.
14. Protection & no tipping-off	PC	• It is not clear that this prohibition covers financial institutions and their directors officers and employees (permanent or temporary).	Make it clear that financial institutions, their directors, officers and employees (whether permanent or temporary) are prohibited by law from disclosing ("tipping off") the fact that an STR or related information is being reported or provided to the MOT.	According to the Civil law system which Sint Maarten is part of and contrary to the Common law system the wording "een ieder" in article 20 of the NORUT implies that each and every one is subject to the sphere of action when the law is enacted, including directors, officers and employees (permanent or temporary) of financial institutions. It is not customary in our legal system that all different addressees of the law regulating an issue are mentioned separately one by one. This issue will be included in the draft law in which the NORUT and the NOIS are merged and

				updated. This new law will include the specific mention of the directors, officers and employees of financial institutions. THE MOT IS BUSY WITH THE MERGING OF THE NORUT AND THE NOIS IN WHICH THE RECOMMENDED ACTION CONCERNING FATF REC 14 WILL BE INCORPORATED. THE ACTUAL MERGING OF THE NORUT AND THE NOIS IS TAKING PLACE NOW AND THE FINALIZATION OF THE DRAFT IS FORSEEN IN JANUARY 2016. The explicit prohibition of directors, officers and employees (whether permanent or temporary) to disclose ("tip off") the fact that an STR or related information is being reported or provided to the MOT has been added to the draft of the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing.
15. Internal policies and controls	С			
16. DNFBP- R.13-15 & 21	NC	 The deficiencies identified for Recs. 13 and 14 in section 3.7 apply to all DNFBPs. No legislation i.e. law or guidelines for DNFBPs supervised by the MOT and casinos that includes all the requirements of recommendations 15 and 21. DNFBPs supervised by the Central Bank are not required to apply counter-measures to countries which do not or insufficiently apply FATF Recommendations. UTR reporting by DNFBPs is ineffective. 	 The deficiencies identified for Recs. 13 and 14 in section 3.7 for all DNFBPs should be addressed. The Authorities in Sint Maarten should issue legislation for DNFBPs supervised by the MOT and casinos that includes all the requirements of recommendations 15 and 21. DNFBPs supervised by the Central Bank should be required to apply counter- 	The P&Gs for DNFBPs have been amended to incorporate recommendations 13 and 14. You are referred to the enclosed P&Gs of the DNFBPs: Car dealers and Jewellers: pages 23-27. Real Estate Agents: pages 26-29. Professionals: pages 25-28. Rec 13 – section 3.7 Car dealers and jewellers: page 27 Real Estate: page 27

	measures to countries which do not or	Professionals: page 28
	insufficiently apply FATF	
	Recommendations.	Rec 14 – sections 3.7
		Car dealers and jewellers: page 29 + 30
		Real Estate: page 29 + 30
		Professionals: page 30 + 31
		Tolessionals. page 50 + 51
		The P&Gs for DNFBPs have been amended to
		incorporate recommendation 15. You are referred
		to the enclosed P&Gs of the DNFBPs:
		Car dealers and Jewellers: pages 27-30 26-30. Real
		Estate Agents: pages 30-34 26-30. Professionals:
		pages 29-33 27-31.
		Rec 15
		Car dealers and jewellers: page 31
		Real Estate: page 31
		Professionals: page 32
		Rec 21
		Car dealers and jewellers: page 21
		Real Estate: page 21
		Professionals: page 22
		1 Totessionals. page 22
		For the incorporation of recommendation 21 you
		are referred to the P&Gs for DNFBPs:
		Car dealers and Jewellers: pages 18-19 21-22. Real
		Estate Agents: page 20 21-22. Professionals: page 20 22-23.
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		STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. THE P&G
		HAVE BEEN UPDATED BY THE MOT TO

		REFLECT THE RECOMMENDED ACTIONS CONCERNING FATF REC 16.
		The Minister of Justice has received a proposal for the setup of the Gaming Control Board for approval. The legislation and guidelines to supervise casinos and internet gambling will be presented in the second half of 2014 introduced mid 2015.
		THE FIRST DRAFT OF THE LEGISLATION FOR THE GCB HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE MINISTERS OF JUSTICE AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND TOURISM FOR DISCUSSION. THE PROPOSAL IS TO HAVE THE AML/CTF SUPERVISION OF THE GAMING INDUSTRY FALL UNDER THE MOT.
		The deficiencies for Recommendations 13 and 14 have been updated and included in the P&Gs.
		For your convenience the amended section is highlighted in yellow. STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. The P&G have been updated by the CBCS to reflect the recommended action concerning FATF rec 16. THE ACTUAL MERGING OF THE NORUT AND THE NOIS IS TAKING PLACE NOW AND THE FINALIZATION OF THE DRAFT IS FORSEEN IN JANUARY 2016.
		The requirements for recommendations 13 and 14 in criterium 3.7 have been explicitly made applicable to the DNFBPs by adding these to the

				draft of the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. I also refer to the amended MDIUT on the prescriptive indicators and the underlying crimes (which was sent to the CFATF secretariat on March 23 rd , 2016). The FIU in its capacity of supervisor of the DNFBPs has issued P&Gs in which the requirements of recommendation 15 are included. The requirements of recommendation 15 (internal control and compliance regime) and recommendation 21 (higher risk countries) have also been added to the draft of the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing.
17. Sanctions	PC	 Outside of the Civil and Penal Codes, there are no indications that sanctions could apply to directors and senior management of financial institutions. Sanctions not effective against MTCs that continue to operate without licenses. Sanctions appear to be used sparingly. 	 Include explicit provisions in the NOIS and NORUT to indicate that sanctions apply to directors and senior management of financial institutions. Take immediate action against directors and senior management of unauthorised MTCs. The Central Bank should have a wide range of sanctions and should be prepared to use them. 	In accordance with our legal system, sanctions against directors and senior management are already in place in Sint Maarten. Please, refer to Sint Maarten's answer to E.C. 17.3 in section 3.10 of the MEQ: The power of enforcement to act against financial institutions and their directors can be derived from a general statutory provision in the Penal Code. Article 53 of the Penal Code provides that offences can be committed by natural persons and legal persons. When an offence is committed by a legal person, prosecution can be instituted and the penal sanctions and measures provided for in general ordinances, if eligible, can be pronounced: a. against the legal person, or b. against those who ordered the execution of the offence as well as against those who actually lead the execution of the prohibited conduct, or c. against the ones mentioned in section a and b jointly.

The above mentioned provision makes it possible to act against directors or senior management, because the director or senior management are the ones who give the orders on the work floor and because there is a so called switch provision (article 96) of the Penal Code that provides for the application of article 53 of the Penal Code to other facts which are penalized by other general ordinances, unless the general ordinances provide otherwise. Therefore the administrative fines of the NOIS and NORUT are also applicable to the financial institutions and their directors. However, as this legal mechanism was not understood, the matter will be further examined in order to ensure the correct understanding of this

legal mechanism.

Explicit provisions will be included in the new law (merged and updated NORUT-NOIS) to indicate that sanctions apply to directors and senior management of financial institutions.

The power to apply a wide range of sanctions has already been addressed in the draft Harmonization Law which is in legislative process.

STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. THE PPO IS ADDRESSING THE ISSUE OF THE ILLEGAL MTC.

THE MOT IS BUSY WITH THE MERGING OF THE NORUT AND THE NOIS IN WHICH THE RECOMMENDED ACTION CONCERNING FATF REC 17 BE ADDRESSED.

THE ACTUAL MERGING OF THE NORUT AND THE NOIS IS TAKING PLACE NOW AND THE FINALIZATION OF THE DRAFT IS

			FORSEEN IN JANUARY 2016. THE NEW ORDINANCE WILL INCLUDE THE PROVISION TO INDICATE THAT SANCTIONS APPLY TO DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS. THIS PROVISION HAS BEEN INCLUDED IN THE DRAFT ORDINANCES FOR THE SUPERVISION OF THE MTC'S AND THE HARMONIZATION ORDINANCE. Explicit provisions have been made in the draft of the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing to indicate that sanctions apply to directors and senior management of financial institutions. (the DNFBPs have also been added). Draft National Ordinance Supervision of Money Remitter Companies. The power to apply a wide range of sanctions has been addressed in the draft National Ordinance Harmonization of the Supervision Laws and the draft National Ordinance Supervision of Money Remitter Companies, which are in legislative process.
18. Shell Banks	С		
19. Reports of Currency transactions			
20. Other DNFBP & secure	С		

transaction techniques				
attention for higher risk countries	PC	 Notices with respect to strategic deficiencies are limited to jurisdictions for which the FATF calls for action. Countermeasures are not clearly specified with respect to countries that do not apply or insufficiently apply the FATF Recommendations. 	 Ensure that financial institutions are advised of concerns about weaknesses in the AML/CFT systems of all countries specified by the FATF, not only those countries for which the FATF calls for action. Ensure that Sint Maarten has the ability to apply counter-measures to countries that continue not to apply or insufficiently apply the FATF Recommendations. 	The P&Gs for CI (page 17), MTC (page 13), SAII & AII (page 23), IC & IB (page 21), and TSP (page 19) indicate that the supervised institutions are required to give special attention to business relationships and transactions with persons (including legal persons and other financial institutions) from or in countries that do not or insufficiently apply the FATF Recommendations including high-risk and non-cooperative jurisdictions. STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. THE P&G HAVE BEEN UPDATED BY THE CBCS TO REFLECT THE RECOMMENDED ACTION CONCERNING FATF REC 21. The NOIS is being revised to implement the recommended actions. The new draft law (merged NORUT-NOIS) will reflect the counter-measures with respect to countries that do not apply or insufficiently apply the FATF recommendations. STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. THE MOT IS BUSY WITH THE MERGING OF THE NORUT AND THE NOIS IN WHICH THE RECOMMENDED ACTION CONCERNING FATF REC 21 BE ADDRESSED. THE ACTUAL MERGING OF THE NORUT AND THE NOIS IS TAKING PLACE NOW AND THE FINALIZATION OF THE DRAFT IS FORSEEN IN JANUARY 2016.

THIS PROVISION HAS BEEN INCLUDED IN THE DRAFT ORDINANCES FOR THE SUPERVISION OF THE MTC's AND THE HARMONIZATION ORDINANCE. The P&Gs for CI, MTC, SAII and AII, IC & IB, and TSP have been amended to indicate that the financial institutions are required to give special attention to business relationships and transactions with persons (including legal persons and other financial institutions) from or in countries that do not or insufficiently apply the FATF Recommendations including high-risk and non-cooperative jurisdictions. The amended P&Gs were sent to the secretariat of the CFATF by email dated **September 11th, 2013.** This recommendation has been included in the draft National Ordinance National Ordinance **Combatting Money** Laundering **Terrorism Financing.** The Central Bank of Curação and Sint Maarten will have legislative powers (where it concerns financial institutions) based on the draft Harmonization law and the draft National Ordinance Money Remitter Companies. The government of Sint Maarten has legislative powers to apply counter-measures

based on the Constitution. Additionally, this recommendation (where it concerns DNFBP) has been included in the National Ordinance

on the FIU.

22. Branches and subsidiaries	С			
23. Regulation, supervision and monitoring	PC	 Unlicensed MTCs continue to operate within Sint Maarten, impacting on effectiveness with respect to E.C. 23.1, E.C 23.5 and E.C. 23.6. Low number of on-site inspections for MTCs. Factoring services are yet to be subject to Central Bank supervision under the NOIS and NORUT. The RBA is not calibrated for AML/CFT risks. 	 Take immediate action to close unlicensed MTCs. Increase on-site inspections of MTCs. Implement a regulatory and supervisory regime for factoring services. Develop a risk based approach system to determine the AML/CFT focus of onsite inspections. Commit resources to having supervisory staff in Sint Maarten for greater onsite monitoring of licensees. 	Unlicensed MTC's will be shut down by the PPO. The matter concerning unlicensed MTC's will be revisited by the MOT with the minister of Justice and the PPO. THE DRAFT NATIONAL ORDINANCE FOR SUPERVISION ON MTC HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE LEGAL DEPARTMENT FOR PROCESSING. A PROVISION HAS BEEN INCLUDED IN THE DRAFT FOR THE CBCS TO CLOSED DOWN MTC THAT OPERATE WITHOUT A LICENSE OR THAT DO NOT COMPLY WITH THE LICENSE ISSUED BY THE CBCS. In 2013 the Central Bank has performed 3 on-site visits to MTCs established in Sint Maarten. The Central Bank has conducted a thorough risk assessment of the factoring services provided on Sint Maarten and has reached the conclusion that the business is exposed to very low risk with reference to AML/CFT. The process of developing a risk based approach has started. As per August 2012 one (1) supervisory staff has been hired by the CBCS to improve the monitoring of licensees in Sint Maarten. STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. THE PPO IS BUSY REVIEWING THE CASE ON THE ILLEGAL MTC.

THE UNLICENSED MTC HAS STARTED A CASE AGAINST THE CBCS WHICH THE MTC HAS LOST IN FIRST INSTANCE. NOW THE CASE IS IN REVIEW AT THE APPEALS COURT. APPEAL WILL BE HANDLED BEFORE THE END OF 2015.

The power to apply a wide range of sanctions has been addressed in the draft National Ordinance Harmonization of the Supervision Laws and the draft National Ordinance Supervision of Money Remitter Companies, which are in legislative process.

Furthermore, factoring services have been included in the draft National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing.

The CBCS mentioned in the May 2015 FUR that it had performed 3 on-site visits to MTCs established in Sint Maarten in 2013.

The CBCS mentioned in the May 2015 FUR that it conducted a thorough risk assessment of the factoring services provided on Sint Maarten and had reached the conclusion that the business is exposed to very low risk with reference to AML/CFT.

The CBCS mentioned in the May 2015 FUR that the development of a risk based approach is in progress.

24. DNFBP - regulation, supervision and monitoring	NC	 There is no adequate AML/CFT regulation and supervision of casinos No supervisory regimen for Internet casinos. The MOT as supervisory authority has not started yet. The MOT does not have adequate resources to fulfil their supervisory role. The deficiency identified in section 3.10 (R. 29 and R17) with regard to the supervisory function of the Central Bank applied. 	•	The Authorities in St. Maarten should immediately implement adequate AML/CFT regulation and supervision of casinos in compliance with E.C. 24.1. Casinos in St. Maarten are not effectively regulated or monitored. The Authorities should implement an AML/CFT regime for Internet casinos. The MOT should implement an effective supervisory regime and should be given resources to fulfil their supervisory role for the relevant DNFBP sector. The deficiency identified in section 3.10 (R. 29 and R17) with regard to the supervisory function of the Central Bank should be cured.	that as of August 2012 one (1) supervisory staff was hired by the CBCS to improve the monitoring of licensees in Sint Maarten. Adequate AML/CFT regulation for casinos and internet casinos will be developed. The Ministry of Justice is busy with the setup of the GCB. An outline for the regulatory body has been submitted to the Minister of Justice for approval. The ministry of Justice expects to submit draft legislation on the regulation and supervision of the gaming industry to the minister of Justice mid 2015. THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS HAS DECIDED TO HAVE THE MOT CARRY OUT THE AML/CTF SUPERVISION ON CASINOS. THIS WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE DRAFT OF THE MERGED NORUT/NOIS. The MOT is setting up the supervision of the DNFBP sector. The registration of the DNFBPs is ongoing. Two legal experts have been recruited and are busy with the setup of the administrative organization of the Supervision Department. The MOT has started with the registration fo the businesses and professions. The inventories of the Jewellers and Real Estate Companies and Agents is complete. The first info sessions have been held in July 2014 (financial institutions) and August 2014 (Jewellers and Real Estate Companies and Agents. The MOT has started with the management meetings with aforementioned companies in September 2014 through December 2014.
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In accordance with the legal system, sanctions against directors and senior management are already in place in Sint Maarten. Please be referred to the comment under Undertaken Action re. Rec 17.

THE MOT SUBMITTED THE FIRST DRAFT OF THE LEGISLATION FOR THE GCB TO THE MINISTERS OF JUSTICE AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND TOURISM. THE PROPOSAL IS FOR THE MOT TO CARRY OUT THE AML/CTF SUPERVISION OF THE GAMING INDUSTRY.

THE MOT HAS STARTED WITH THE 2015 INFORMATION SESSIONS FOR THE DNFBP IN MARCH AND APRIL 2015 THE REAL **ESTATE** COMPANIES, THE CAR DEALERSHIPS AND THE ACCOUNTANTS. THE MOT SUPERVISION IS ONGOING AND BEING EXPANDED TO INCLUDE ALL DNFBP. THE LAST GROUP THAT WILL BE **INFORMED** OF THE AML/CTF LEGISLATION ARE THE JUDICIAL SERVICE PROVIDERS.

The AML/CTF regulation and supervision of casinos, online gaming companies and lotteries has been included in the draft of the new National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing.

The AML/CTF regulation and supervision of online gaming companies, casinos and lotteries has been included in the draft of the new

				National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. The effective supervisory regime of the DNFBP has been included in the draft National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. Furthermore, in the draft National Ordinance on the FIU and in the draft National Ordinance Administrative Enforcement. The power to apply a wide range of sanctions has also been addressed in the draft Harmonization Law and the draft National Ordinance Supervision on Money Remitter Companies which are in legislative process.
25. Guidelines & Feedback	PC	 Not much guidance is given to financial institutions on TF techniques and methods. P&G for providers of factoring services is not in place. DNFBPs supervised by the MOT and do not receive sufficient guidance to DNFBPs on complying with AML/CFT requirements 	 The MOT should provide feedback with respect to typologies or sanitized cases, and on specific cases that have been closed. MOT is strongly encouraged to continue its outreach programme to specifically encompass both feedback and guidance related to UTRs. Provide guidance to financial institutions with respect to terrorism financing. Issue guidance to providers of factoring services. The Competent Authorities in Sint Maarten should provide adequate guidance to DNFBPs supervised by the MOT and Casinos regarding AML/CFT requirements. MOT should issue its own P&Gs. 	MOT and the PPO are analysing the typologies and all sanitized and specific cases. This process will be carried out periodically and when completed, feedback will be given to the financial institutions. MOT does feedback with and guide the financial institutions related to UTRs. More guidance will be provided to financial institutions with respect to TF. A training programme for all stakeholders (MOT, law enforcement, PPO, Reporters, DNFBPs) has been developed and approved by the Minister of Justice. The execution of the training program will start in March 2014.

Guidance to financial institutions with regard to TF will take place in 2015. The MOT received and is still receiving training from the former head of the FIU Curação. The reporters/DNFBPs get regular info sessions and can call and visit the MOT at all times to receive information. They must include in their compliance regime that they will get training minimal once (1) a year. The only outstanding group is law enforcement (Police, RST, Landsrecherche, PPO and Customs); they will be trained in the first half of 2015. The programme is ready. The laws are being amended to incorporate factoring services. The new draft law (merged and updated NORUT-NOIS) includes factoring services. The MOT routinely disseminates information to the DNFBPs supervised by the MOT regarding AML/TF requirements. The MOT developed P&Gs for DNFBPs. STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. TRAINING PROGRAM II WAS SUBMITTED IN NOVEMBER 2014 TO THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE FOR APPROVAL. THE MOT IS STILL PROVIDING GUIDANCE TO THE REPORTING INSTITUTIONS REGARDING STR. THE AML/CTF TRAINING PROGRAM II HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE MINISTER AND THE EXECUTION THEREOF STARTED IN AUGUST 2015. SINCE, THE CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED TRAINING

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ON THE EXECUTION OF THE NATIONAL ORDINANCE BORDERCROSSING MONEY TRANSFERS. THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE LANDSRECHERCHE WILL RECEIVE TRAINING BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR 2015.

Reference is made of the 2010-2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 annual reports of the MOT.

Reference is made of the 2014 annual report of the MOT. A start has been made in 2014 with the outreach programme of the MOT.

The MOT has started with outreach to the FIs concerning TF in December 2015.

The CBCS mentioned in the 2015 FUR that it conducted a thorough risk assessment of the factoring services provided on Sint Maarten and had reached the conclusion that the business is exposed to very low risk with reference to AML/CFT. Nonetheless the AML/CTF regime for factoring services has been added to the draft National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing.

Reference is made of the 2014 annual report of the MOT. A start has been made in 2014 with the outreach programme of the MOT.

The MOT first drafted its P&G in 2014. After comments on the draft P&G from the secretariat, the final version of the P&G was

				sent to the CFATF secretariat by email dated November 13 th , 2015.
Institutional and other measures				
26. The MOT	NC	 The legal basis for the establishment of the MOT is not clear. There is an absence of a permanent MOT Head physically present in the MOT on a daily basis. Not all reporting entities are aware of the existence of the MOT in Sint Maarten. Inadequate training and guidance sessions for reporting entities. Articles 4, 8, 16 and 22 of NORUT present a risk to the operational autonomy of the MOT and create opportunities for undue interference and influence. There is a low number of investigative reports forwarded by the MOT to the PPO. The security of the MOT information, the premises and employees requires improvement. The authorities should produce and publish the outstanding Annual Report for 2011 and ensure that it contains information relating to the typologies and trends for ML and TF for Sint Maarten. Effectiveness of the MOT could not be confirmed 	 underpinnings for the establishment of the MOT are sound. It should be clear in the law as to the Ministry under which it falls. The authorities should move swiftly to appoint an MOT Head. The MOT should seek to clarify the manner and procedures for reporting, improve the relationship between itself and its stakeholders and provide guidance on the manner and procedures for reporting. The MOT should increase awareness within its stakeholders of the existence of the MOT. 	The legal basis for the MOT are formed by: 1. The national ordinance structure and organisation of the national government (AB 2010, No. 6) – article 9 2. The national decree containing general measures to be subdivided and worked out in further detail by the ministry of Justice (AB 2010, No. 11) – article 17. Both laws are enclosed for review. The NORUT (AB 2013 No 479) was amended on April 25th, 2014, to establish the operational autonomy of the MOT. The amended law was enacted on September 4th, 2014. I refer to the AB 2014 No 51, which was sent to the CFATF Secretariat on October 3rd, 2014. With the abovementioned amendment of the NORUT MOT Sint Maarten was inducted into the Egmont Group of FIUs as is recommended in recommendation 40. The MOT has a permanent director in place as of January 1, 2013. The MOT is disseminating information to the reporters. The DNFBPs are being registered and receive information on the laws and existence of the MOT. Also reference is made of the website of the MOT Sint Maarten (www.fiu-sxm.net) The NORUT has been amended (draft to be submitted to and approved by parliament end of March 2014) to establish the operational autonomy

	full information on ML and TF trends and	of the MOT. In practice the MOT already operates
	typologies.	autonomously.
		The internal procedures of the MOT are being
		reviewed. More qualified personnel needs to be
		hired. This will increase the number of
		investigated reports that are sent to the PPO.
		The physical security of the personnel, the files,
		and the databases is in place. The next step is to
		hire qualified (and screened) personnel compile
		the data from the analyst department to assist in the
		production of produce the annual reports 2011,
		2012 and 2013 of the MOT. Annual reports will be
		produced in the first 3 months of 2015.
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		STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. THE MOT
		EXPECTS TO START WITH THE ANNUAL
		REPORTS 2010-2014 IN MAY 2015.
		A START HAS BEEN MADE WITH THE
		DRAFTING OF THE ANNUAL REPORTS. THE
		EXPECTED DATE OF COMPLETION AND
		PRESENTATION TO THE MINISTER OF
		JUSTICE AND PLACEMENT ON THE
		WEBSITE IS JANUARY 2016.
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		The legal underpinnings for the establishment
		of the MOT went into force in 2014, which
		was a prerequisite for the MOT to become a
		member of the Egmont Group of FIUs.
		The Head of the FIU was appointed in March
		of 2013.
		Reference is made of the 2010-2011, 2012,
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		2013 and 2014 annual reports of the MOT in

				which the manner in which the legal tasks and procedures and the guidance offered is explained. Reference is made of the National Ordinance Reporting Unusual Transactions (AB 2013 CT no. 479). The mentioned articles were amended to ensure operational autonomy of the MOT and avoid undue interference and influence.
				Reference is made of the 2010-2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 annual reports of the MOT in which the manner of analysis of unusual reports is described.
				Reference is made of the 2010-2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 annual reports of the MOT in which physical security, archiving and employees is described and the typologies and trends are published.
27. Law enforcement authorities	PC	 Effectiveness: No financial resources have been allocated for ML and TF training for the local law enforcement agencies There is a shortage of suitably qualified law enforcement officers generally to execute effective ML investigations. 	Relevant financial resources should be directed to ensure that recruited officers are appropriately trained in ML and TF and are kept up to date in the recent developments in financial investigations. These challenges identified will therefore affect the proper investigation of ML and TF	The MOT has secured funds for the ML/TF training of the law enforcement agencies. THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE LANDSRECHERCHE WILL RECEIVE TRAINING BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR 2015.
		 No specific training for TF or ML for several of the law enforcement authorities. Unlicensed MTCs continue to operate within Sint Maarten 	offences. • There should be a decisive approach with respect to the operation of certain MTCs without licenses in contravention of the law.	The MOT has discussed the issue of the unlicensed MTCs with the PPO. One MTC is busy with the application for an operational license at the CBCS.

			The CBCS has discontinued the licensing process with the MTC in question. The PPO has once again been informed by the CBCS of the illegally operation MTC. The MOT is responsible for the reporting of unusual transactions by service providers. From this perspective the MOT approaches all MTC's to urge them to report the unusual transactions. The issue will again be discussed with the minister of Justice. STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. THE PPO IS BUSY REVIEWING THE CASE ON THE ILLEGAL MTC. THE UNLICENSED MTC HAS STARTED A CASE AGAINST THE CBCS WHICH THE MTC HAS LOST IN FIRST INSTANCE. NOW THE CASE IS IN REVIEW AT THE APPEALS COURT. APPEAL WILL BE HANDLED BEFORE THE END OF 2015. Reference is made of the 2010-2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 annual reports of the MOT in which information on the AML/CTF training for law enforcement is provided. The draft National Ordinance Supervision on Money Remitter Companies is in legislative process.
28. Document production, search and seizure	С		
29. Supervisors	С		

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30.	Reso	urces
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- The MOT lacks of staff to adequately perform its functions (including the Head of MOT
- The staff of the MOT does not have adequate and relevant training for combatting ML & TF.
- The MOT lacks of analytical tools such as Analyst Notebook to assist in the analysis of UTRs.
- The MOT lacks of resources to protect the MOT data, premises and staff; eg. Offsite electronic data fireproof safe, fire extinguishers, etc.
- Several of the law enforcement agencies possess a shortage of suitably qualified officers trained in ML investigations.
- Inadequate training for ML and TF.
- No allocation of financial resources for ML and TF.
- Inadequate space for the Court of First Instance to properly execute its functions

- The authorities should increase the staff complement of the MOT.
- The authorities should acquire additional tools such as Analyst Notebook to assist in the analysis of UTRs.
- Sufficient financial resources should be reserved that in order that the staff may be adequately trained for ML and TF.
- The MOT should obtain the relevant resources eg. Offsite electronic data fireproof safe, fire extinguishers, etc to further protect its information, premises and employees.
- The authorities should seek to quickly employ robust recruiting programmes to fill the vacancies in the law enforcement agencies such as the KPSM.
- The authorities should ensure that all relevant entities including the Tax Department, Landsrecherche, Customs, Coast Guard and the KPSM are adequately and regularly trained in money laundering and counter financing of terrorism like the RST.
- Improved facilities should be provided for the Courts of Justice

The director of the MOT has described the full time equivalent of the MOT functions. This established the staff complement of the MOT.

The recruitment of a strategic analyst is underway. The strategic analyst/co-ordinator of the analyst department has started working at the MOT as of July 1st, 2014.

The ML/TF training of MOT personnel has started in January 2014. The training ends November 2014. The second part of the training starts in December 2014 for 6 months.

The connections for offsite electronic data backup are expected to be completed in the second half of 2014. A fireproof safe and fire extinguishers are already in place at the MOT. The offsite back-up will be completed in the first half of 2015.

The authorities have been busy recruiting personnel for the law enforcement agencies such as the KPSM.

The MOT has developed the ML/TF training program for all stakeholders (MOT, Police, Customs, PPO, *Landsrecherche*, Tax Office and National Security Agency) which was approved and financed by the Minister of Justice (Crime Fund).

The training will start in January 2015.

STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. TRAINING PROGRAM WAS SUBMITTED IN NOVEMBER 2014 AND IS AWAITING APPROVAL.

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The Courts of Justice is using the extra facilities provided.

THE AML/CTF TRAINING PROGRAM II HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE MINISTER AND THE EXECUTION THEREOF STARTED IN AUGUST 2015. SINCE, THE CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED TRAINING ON THE EXECUTION OF THE NATIONAL ORDINANCE BORDERCROSSING MONEY TRANSFERS. THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE LANDSRECHERCHE WILL RECEIVE TRAINING BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR 2015.

Reference is made of the 2010-2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 annual reports of the MOT in which information is given about the operations of the MOT. The current staff complement is enough to carry out the tasks.

Reference is made of the 2010-2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 annual reports of the MOT. Additional tools are being applied to carry out analysis of unusual transactions.

Reference is made of the 2010-2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 annual reports of the MOT. This is an ongoing process.

Reference is made of the 2010-2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 annual reports of the MOT.

Two financial investigators have been hired at the Detective Department of the Police Force.

				The complement of the <i>Landsrecherche</i> has been expanded to eight (8) investigators. The complement of the Detective Co-operation Team (RST) has been expanded with two (2) detectives to four (4) in total. Reference is made of the 2010-2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 annual reports of the MOT. The Courts of Justice have been provided with improved facilities.
31. National cooperation	PC	The CIWG needs to be formally established. Many of the national coordination mechanisms (such as the national AML Committee - CIWG; and Trainings to be undertaken by the PPO) are not yet in operation.	The CIWG needs to be formally established. The Authorities should ensure the implementation of the mechanism for coordination that were informed to the Team.	The anti-money laundering and terrorism financing committee was formally established by national decree dated June 8th, 2012. Due to a problem of dysfunctioning of the committee, the minister of Justice decided to replace the committee by a National Co-ordinator AML/CTF. This function is carried out by the (Head of the) MOT. The function of the national co-ordinator has been included in the amended NORUT (AB 2014 no 51) is the authority who based on rec 31 co-ordinates policy co-operation across all relevant competent authorities; this includes operational co-operation between authorities at the law enforcement, FIU level including Customs authorities and where appropriate between FIU, law enforcement and supervisors. Discussions with ALL stakeholders have already started. STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. THE NATIONAL CO-ORDINATOR IS IN CONSULTATION WITH THE STAKEHOLDERS ON THE UPDATE OF THE LEGISLATION.

				IN 2014 SINT MAARTEN UPDATED ITS NORUT AND CHOSE TO IMPLEMENT THE NATIONAL AML/CTF CO-ORDINATOR SINCE IT SEES CONFLICT OF INTEREST WITH A AML/CTF COMMITTEE FORMAT (IN WHICH STAKEHOLDERS HAVE REPRESENTATION). THE NATIONAL CO-ORDINATOR MEETS WITH THE RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS DURING THE DRAFTING OF THE MERGED NORUT AND NOIS TO GET THEIR INPUT. THE NATIONAL CO-ORDINATOR HAS MET WITH THE LAW ENFORCEMENT REPRESENTATIVES TO START PREPARATIONS FOR THE NRA. INFORMATION SHARING WITH ALL STAKEHOLDERS WILL TAKE PLACE NEXT YEAR. The National Ordinance Reporting Unusual Transactions (NORUT) was amended in 2014 to assign the Head of the MOT as National Co-ordinator. This function replaces the CIWG. The National Co-ordinator amongst others is tasked with the co-ordination of the implementation of the AML/CTF requirements in the laws, AML/CTF training programme, etc
32. Statistics	PC	 No statistics available relating to requests to overseas MOTs. No statistics available for requests for additional information by the MOT to reporting entities. 	The Authorities should ensure that comprehensive statistics are maintained in relation to the investigation, prosecution, and conviction of ML related cases	Statistics on requests made to and from overseas FIUs are available. Requests for information from FIUs: 35. Requests for information to FIUs: 15.

Several reporting entities have not filed UTRs for either subjective or objective indicators and appear not to understand or know their responsibility to report.	 The authorities should ensure that relevant statistics are maintained for Sint Maarten with respect to requests for additional information by the MOT. The MOT should host training sessions on ML and TF for the reporting entities to ensure that the financial entities report as required. The MOT should also maintain statistics regarding the number of requests made to foreign MOTs. 	2014: REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM FIUs: 13 2014: RESPONSES TO FIUs: 11 2014: REQUESTS SENT TO FIUs: 9 2014: POSITIVE RESPONSES RECEIVED: 4 2014:NEGATIVE RESPONSES RECEIVED: 5 2015 (up to October 5 th , 2015): REQUESTS RECEIVED FROM FIUs (INCLUDING SPONTANEOUS DISSEMINATIONS): 27 2015 (up to October 5 th , 2015): REQUESTS SENT TO FIUS (INCLUDING SPONTANEOUS DISSEMINATIONS): 16 The MOT will host training sessions on ML/TF for the reporting entities and DNFBPs. Already five sessions have been organized by the MOT, including sessions with individual companies and businesses and professions. The info sessions included the FATF information, case material, CDD, compliance regime, unusual transactions reporting, including the reporting of suspicious transactions by making use of the subjective indicator, and sanctions. Dates sessions: for financial institutions on July 9 th , 2014, for the real estate agents on August 21 st , 2014, for Jewellers on August 22 nd , 2014. For notaries: October 22 nd , 2014. INFO SESSION FOR JUDICIAL SERVICE PROVIDERS PLANNED FOR JANUARY 2016.
		INFO SESSION FOR JUDICIAL SERVICE
		STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. ONE ON ONE INFO SESSIONS WITH JEWELLERS AND REAL ESTATE AGENTS AND NOTARIES. STATISTICS ON ML RELATED CASES: 18 CASES AND 18 CASES AND 12 CONVICTIONS UP TO 12 MARCH 2015.

					Statistics from the PPO remain pending. Reference is made of the 2010-2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 annual reports of the MOT. Reference is made of the 2010-2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 annual reports of the MOT. Reference is made of the 2010-2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 annual reports of the MOT.
33. Legal persons—beneficial owners	NC	 There is no system in place to ensure access to the UBO information. Not all competent authorities have access in timely fashion to adequate, accurate and current UBO information. The requirement for bearer shares to be transformed into registered shares operates at the discretion of the shareholder and is therefore not mandatory. The NDCBSC does not require the capture and retention of the ultimate beneficial ownership details of the legal person on whose behalf the bearer shares are kept or held. 	•	Sint Maarten should establish a system to ensure access to the UBO information of legal persons. There should be mechanisms in place to guarantee that competent authorities are able to obtain and have access in a timely manner to accurate and current UBO information. Article 105 3 rd paragraphs reflects that bearer shares shall be transformed by the company into registered shares if this is requested by the holder of the bearer shares that this be done. This aspect of the CC must be amended to either make the transformation mandatory or mandate the registration of the UBO details in relation to the bearer shares and express mechanisms incorporate either in the Code or elsewhere to achieve this registration. Amend the NDCBSC so that the is wording requires that beneficial ownership information must also be	At this point in time the legal person is not obligated by law to submit its UBO information to the Chamber of Commerce. The law (CoC) will be revised to guarantee that authorities have access to UBO information. This subject matter will be addressed in the new draft law (merged and updated NORUT-NOIS). This subject matter will be further examined by the judicial affairs department of the ministry of Justice. When registering the DNFBPs the MOT requests the businesses and professions to submit the UBO information. Registration of UBO information: The MOT has a form that is accessible on its website. Entities fill this in with information about the company, its director(s) and the UBO(s). Authorities can request this information at the MOT. STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. THE MOT IS REGISTERING THE DNFBP WITH THEIR UBO INFORMATION. THE CHAMBER

	captured for the ultimate beneficial owners of the legal person on whose behalf the bearer shares are kept or held	LEGISLATION WILL BE UPDATED TO REFLECT THIS RECOMMENDATION. THE OBLIGATION TO SUBMIT UBO INFORMATION WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE MERGED NORUT-NOIS ORDINANCE. THE UBO INFORMATION WILL THEN BECOME ACCESSIBLE TO LAW ENFORCEMENT. This subject matter will be further examined by the judicial affairs department of the ministry of Justice.
		This requirement is included in (10 the draft National Ordinance on the FIU, (2) the draft National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and terrorism Financing. This requirement is also included in the draft Harmonization of the Supervision laws and in
		the draft National Ordinance Supervision of Money remitter Companies. This requirement is included in the draft of the new National Ordinance Combatting Money
		Laundering and terrorism Financing. This requirement is included in the draft of the National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing (which will amend the Civil Code, Book Two).
		Pending. The NDCBSC is a uniform decree and amendment thereof will be discussed with the Central Bank.

34. Legal arrangements – beneficial owners	LC	There is no certainty that all Competent Authorities have timely access to UBO information.	•	This subject matter will be further examined by the judicial affairs department of the ministry of Justice. The new draft law (merged and updated NORUT-NOIS) will address this issue. STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. THE MOT
				IS REGISTERING THE DNFBP WITH THEIR UBO INFORMATION. THE CHAMBER LEGISLATION WILL BE UPDATED TO REFLECT THIS RECOMMENDATION. THE OBLIGATION TO SUBMIT UBO INFORMATION WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE MERGED NORUT-NOIS ORDINANCE. THE UBO INFORMATION WILL THEN BECOME ACCESSIBLE TO LAW ENFORCEMENT. This requirement is included in the draft National Ordinance on the FIU.
International Cooperation				
35. Conventions	PC	 Implementation in accordance with the Vienna Convention No specific provision was identified in relation to non-treaty based requests for extradition, expedition of extradition procedures and simplification of evidentiary requirements, The framework under the criminal laws provided is not indicative of Sint Maarten having the ability to extend cooperation and assistance to Transit States as contemplated by article 10 of this Convention. No evidence of implementation of controlled delivery techniques by the Authorities. 	 Authorities must ensure the EDACs expressly addresses the matters of nontreaty based requests for extradition; ,expedition of extradition procedures and simplification of evidentiary requirements The international cooperation framework under the criminal laws should expressly address Sint Maarten's ability to extend cooperation and assistance to Transit States as contemplated by article 10 of the Vienna Convention. 	The issue of the offences set out in the Vienna Convention is already partly dealt with in the Opium Legislation which currently is the <i>Opiumlandsverordening 1960</i> . This Act will have to be revised. The general provisions as set out in the Penal Code are applicable on all other Criminal laws, thus on the Opium Legislation through the switching provision of 2:224 (currently 96) The treaty of San Jose covers the combating of illicit traffic at sea and the use of mails for illicit traffic.

- No specific provisions have been identified from the laws provided or advised in relation to special arrangements with Commercial Carriers precautionary measures implemented to ensure commercial carriers are not used for the commission of offences
- No provisions have been identified in the laws provided which cover the Illicit Traffic at Sea
- No provisions identified regarding measures to suppress the use of mails for illicit traffic.

Implementation in accordance with the Palermo Convention

- No measures were identified in the law in relation to having appropriate measures to encourage persons who have participated in organized criminal groups to cooperate with law enforcement.
- The advised training initiatives do not appear to cover control techniques in free trade zones and free ports; modern law enforcement equipment and techniques, electronic surveillance, combating organized crime through the use of computers, telecommunications networks or other forms of modern technology and bilateral and multilateral arrangements to maximize operational and training activities of article 29 of the Palermo Convention.
- No laws or measures identified regarding the matter of coordinated efforts bilaterally and multilaterally to provide assistance to developing countries in their efforts to combat transnational organized crime.
- Verification of whether the laws addressed
 - a) The establishment of national records of persons disqualified from acting as

- The criminal laws must expressly impose obligations on Commercial Carriers to ensure these carriers are not used for the commission of article 3 offences set out in the Vienna Convention.
- The criminal laws must expressly address mechanisms required by article 17 (illicit traffic at sea) and required by article 19 (illicit use of mails) of the Vienna Convention.
- The Penal Code and Penal Procedures Code should be revised to address the shortfalls identified in the ratings Table below in relation to the Palermo Convention
- The Penal Code should be revised to expressly criminalize the indirect or unlawful provision of funding for the commission of a terrorism offence, as well as the wilful provision of funds etc. to individual terrorists set out in article 2(a) of the Terrorist Financing Convention.
- The Penal Procedures Code and/or Penal Code should be amended to expressly address
 - the matter of reciprocal confidentiality (as required by article 12 (Assistance to other States) of the TF Convention;
 - establishing mechanisms whereby forfeited funds are used to compensate the victims of terrorist offences or their families, and matters of custody arrangements, terms under which an offender transferred to Sint marten from a State will be returned to that State

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With the introduction of the new Penal Code of SXM all offences set out in the Palermo Convention as well as the recommended offences will be criminalized.

The introduction Ordinance (IO) to enact the Penal Code was reviewed by the Council of Advice and is now ready to be submitted to Parliament for approval. Expected enactment of the Penal Code by the IO: December 2014.

Next to that the proposed article 2:54 and 2:55 PC SXM creates the crime of aiding or abetting a terrorist crime under which financing also can be deemed as a crime. In article 2:55 the financing of crime is punishable as a severe crime. Next to that article 1:120 PC SXM (currently article 48a) criminalizes the aiding and abetting of the crimes mentioned in article 2:54 and 2:55. Of course criminal attempts are punishable under 1:119 PC SXM (currently article 47)

The matter reciprocal confidentiality is dealt with in the current CPC SXM article 555 and further (International Mutual Assistance) but will be more expressively mentioned and regulated more directors of legal persons, and

b) The exchange of information contained in the abovementioned national records with the competent authorities of other State Parties.

Could not be done as the relevant articles were not provided for assessment.

- Laws do not address Prevention of the misuse by organized criminal groups of Government tender processes and of subsidies and licenses granted by public authorities.
- Laws and framework do not address
 - a) The promotion of public awareness regarding the existence, gravity of and threat posed by transnational organized crime;
 - b) Informing the Secretary General of the UN of the authority/authorities that can assist other State Parties in developing measures to prevent transnational organized crime, and
 - c) Collaboration with other States (apart from the already advised joint cooperation and other collaborative efforts discussed above) including participation in international projects aimed at the prevention of transnational organized crime.

Implementation in accordance with the Terrorist Financing Convention

- Wilful provision of funds etc. to individual terrorists does not appear to be covered by the approach to terrorist financing in the Penal Code.
- No specific penalty is indicated for the offence of TF, appropriateness of this penalty in relation to this Article therefore cannot be assessed.
- TF is not criminalized in accordance with the FT Convention. There is some doubt as to whether

from which the offender was transferred, credit for time spent in custody of State to which the offender was transferred detailed in the new (draft) Criminal Procedure Code.

As for establishing mechanisms whereby forfeited funds are used to compensate the victims of terrorist the proposed article 1:78 PC SXM creates a mechanism to compensate victims and is also applicable to victims of terrorist acts As far as the Criminal laws are concerned the switching provision of 2:224 (currently 96) makes the general provisions of the first book of the Penal Code applicable to all other Criminal laws.

THE RECOMMENDED ACTIONS HAVE BEEN INCORPORATED IN THE PENAL CODE. THE INTRODUCTION ORDINANCE WAS APPROVED BY PARLIAMENT ON FEBRUARY 27TH, 2015.

THE DRAFT OF THE OPIUMLANDSVERORDENING 1960 IS STILL PENDING.

THE DRAFT OF THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURES CODE IS ON REVIEW AT THE COUNCIL OF ADVICE.

THE DRAFT OF THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURES CODE INCLUDES THE OFFENCES IN AFOREMENTIONED CONVENTIONS.

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freezing mechanism could be invoked in response to a requesting foreign State's freezing requirement arising in relation to a terrorist financing offence.

- No law or measure identified regarding the use of forfeited funds to compensate the victims of terrorist offences or their families.
- Not all terrorism offences referenced in Annex 1 to the TF Convention are criminalized as required.
- Reciprocal confidentiality (as required by article 12 (Assistance to other States) is not addressed in the Penal Code or Penal Procedures Code.
- No provisions addressing the matters of custody arrangements, terms under which an offender transferred to Sint marten from a State will be returned to that State from which the offender was transferred, credit for time spent in custody of State to which the offender was transferred, were identified in the Penal Code or Penal Procedures Code.
- No laws were identified on the matter of the guarantee of fair treatment of persons in custody.
- There is a strong possibility therefore that the TCSP owners, directors and some managers not falling within the definition of staff, may be exposed to criminal liability for breaches of the NOSTSP in respect of reports made by the TCSP pursuant to the NORUT

Constitution of Sint Maarten states in the following articles that:

Article 3

No one shall be subjected to torture or to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment.

Article 4

- 1. No one shall be held in slavery or servitude.
- 2. No one may perform forced or compulsory labor, other than as a community service. [*Note: voluntary community service*]
- 3. Trafficking in human beings is prohibited.

Article 26

With the establishment of his civil rights and obligations and when prosecuted for a criminal offense a person is entitled to a fair and public hearing within a reasonable time by an independent and impartial tribunal. By ordinance, the public nature of the treatment can be reduced.

Article 27

1. Everyone has the right to personal liberty. No one shall be deprived of his liberty except according to legislation as referred to in Article 81 b, f and g, to adopt rules in case of: a. lawful detention after conviction by a competent court;

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	b. lawful arrest or detention for refusing to
	execute a similar legislation of a court
	injunction or to follow or to secure the
	fulfillment of any express obligation
	prescribed by legislation;
	c. lawful arrest or detention to be brought
	before the competent court if there are
	reasonable grounds to suspect that he has
	committed a criminal offense or if it is
	reasonably necessary to prevent his
	committing an offense or fleeing after having
	committed a criminal offense;
	d. lawful detention of a minor for the purpose
	of intervening in his upbringing or in the case
	of his lawful detention for the purpose of
	bringing him before the competent authority;
	e. lawful custody of persons deprived of
	liberty and law that might spread a contagious
	disease, of unsound mind, addicted to alcohol
	or drugs;
	f. lawful detention of persons in order to
	prevent them from effecting an unauthorized
	entry into the country or to prolong their stay
	illegally;
	g. lawful arrest or detention of persons against
	them if a deportation or extradition.
	2. Everyone who is arrested or detained in
	accordance with paragraph c of this Article,
	shall be brought promptly before a judge and
	the law tried to be brought or pending to be
	the process in freedom within a reasonable
	period.

	3. Any person deprived of liberty shall have
	the right:
	a. to ask the court to enable it to decide
	without delay on the lawfulness of his
	detention and his release ordered if the
	detention is not lawful;
	b. promptly in a language which he
	understands, to be informed of the nature and
	cause of his detention, his right to refrain from
	answering and its power to make himself a
	lawyer.
	4. Anyone who has been the victim of a
	deprivation of liberty contrary to the
	provisions of this article shall have an
	enforceable right to compensation.
	5. A person who has been lawfully deprived
	of liberty may be restricted in the exercise of
	fundamental rights insofar as it is not
	compatible with the deprivation of liberty.
	Article 28
	1. No offense is punishable than by virtue of
	a preceding statutory penal provision.
	2. Everyone charged with an offense is
	presumed innocent until proved guilty
	according to national ordinance.
	3. No person shall be prosecuted or punished
	a second time for an offense in respect of
	which he is irrevocably adjudicated by the
	court.
	4. Anyone charged with an offense has the
	following rights:

		a. promptly, in a language which he
		understands and in detail, to be informed of
		the nature and cause of the charges against
		him, of his right to refrain from answering and
		to seek assistance by a lawyer;
		b. to have the free assistance of an interpreter
		if he does not understand or speak the
		language used in court;
		c. To have adequate time and facilities to
		prepare his defense;
		d. to defend himself;
		e. to question witnesses or to have examined
		the attendance and examination of witnesses
		on his behalf, to pass the same conditions as
		is the case with the prosecution witnesses.
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		Article 29
		1. Everyone may be legally represented in
		civil, criminal and administrative
		proceedings.
		2. In National ordinance will be laid down the
		rules on the granting of legal aid to persons of
		limited means.
		Article 30
		1. All persons who are deprived of their
		liberty will be treated with humanity and with
		respect for the inherent dignity of the human
		person.
		2. Suspects are exceptional circumstances
		aside, segregated from convicted persons and

				are entitled to a separate treatment appropriate to their status as unconvicted persons. 3. Juvenile suspects are held separately from adults and arraigned as soon as possible before the court. 4. The prison system provides for a treatment of prisoners with the essential aim of reformation and social rehabilitation. Juvenile detainees are held separately from adults and are treated in accordance with their age and legal status. This requirement should count for Aruba, Curaçao and Sint Maarten, since the EDAC is a Kingdom law and it must be uniform. An amendment thereto will require approval of all territories in the kingdom. Furthermore, there is no treaty requirement for extradition stipulated in the EDACs. Pending. Pending. Pending. Pending.
36. MLA	PC	The extent of Mutual Legal Assistance that may be extended by Sint Maarten is limited by the following deficiencies identified:	Amend the Penal Code to address the deficiencies set out in the ratings table.	Next to that the proposed article 2:54 and 2:55 PC SXM creates the crime of aiding or abetting a terrorist crime under which financing also can be deemed as a crime. In article 2:55 the financing of crime is punishable as a severe crime. Next to that

- The indirect or unlawful provision of funding for the commission of a terrorism offence is not criminalized.
- Terrorist financing is not criminalized in accordance with the FT Convention.
- There is a doubt as to the extent of assistance that could be provided in relation to matters which have not been confirmed as predicate offences (i.e. Illicit Arms Trafficking, Smuggling, Insider Trading market manipulation).

article 1:120 PC SXM (currently article 48a) criminalizes the aiding and abetting of the crimes mentioned in article 2:54 and 2:55. Of course criminal attempts are punishable under 1:119 PC SXM (article 47).

The matter of Mutual Assistance is dealt with in the current CPC SXM (article 555 and further (International Mutual Assistance) but will be more expressively mentioned and regulated more detailed in the new (draft) Criminal Procedure Code.

THE RECOMMENDED ACTION ON THE EXTENT OF THE MLA HAS BEEN INCORPORATED IN THE PENAL CODE. THE INTRODUCTION ORDINANCE WAS APPROVED BY PARLIAMENT ON FEBRUARY 27TH, 2015.

THE DRAFT OF THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURES CODE IS ON REVIEW AT THE COUNCIL OF ADVICE.

THE PENAL CODE ENTERED INTO FORCE ON JUNE 1, 2015. TF IS NOW

CRIMINALIZED.

The Penal Code has been amended to address: The indirect or unlawful provision of funding for the commission of a terrorism offence; Terrorist financing: criminalized in accordance with the FT Convention; All predicate offenses:

-Money laundering is a criminal offence in

Article 2:404 of the Penal Code. The Article reads:

Т		1 The following shall be consisted as
		1. The following shall be convicted of money laundering and penalised with a
		custodial sentence of no more than six years or
		a financial penalty in the fifth category:
		a. persons who conceal or disguise the true
		nature, origin, location, disposal or relocation
		of an object, or who conceal or disguise the
		right-holder of an object or the party in
		possession of
		this, when they know or can reasonably be
		expected to understand that the object,
		originates directly or indirectly from any
		crime;
		b. persons who acquire, possess, transfer or
		make use of revenue from an object when they
		know or can reasonably be expected to
		understand that the object originates directly
		or
		indirectly from any crime.
		c. 'Object' refers to all goods and all
		proprietary rights.
		2. Financing of terrorism is a criminal
		offence in Article 2:55 of the Penal Code. The
		Article reads:
		1. The following shall be convicted of financing
		of terrorism and penalised with a custodial
		sentence of no more than eight years or a
		financial penalty in the fifth category:
		a. those who deliberately gather funds, directly
		or indirectly, for themselves or for another
		party, in order to commit a terrorist offence or
		to support persons or organisations that
		commit or intend to commit terrorist offences,
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or in order to commit a crime in preparation
for or to facilitate a terrorist offence;
b. those who deliberately gather funds, directly
or indirectly, for themselves or for another
party, in the knowledge that such funds will be
used partly or in full to commit a terrorist
offence or to support persons or organisations
that commit or
intend to commit terrorist offences, or in order
to commit a crime in preparation for or to
facilitate a terrorist offence;
c. Those who deliberately provide funds or
make these available to another party directly
or indirectly, in order to commit a terrorist
offence or to support persons or organisations
that commit or intend to commit terrorist
offences, or in order to commit a crime in
preparation for or to facilitate a terrorist
offence;
d. Those who deliberately provide funds or
make these available to another party, directly
or indirectly, in the knowledge that such funds
will be used partly or in full to commit a
terrorist offence or to support persons or
organisations that commit or intend to commit
offences, or in order to commit a crime in
preparation for or to facilitate a terrorist
offence;
1. For the purposes of the application of
paragraph 1, 'another party' refers to natural
persons, legal entities, groups of natural
persons or legal entities, and organisations;
'funds' refers to money and to all goods and

	all proprietary rights, by what these were acquired, and the d data carriers, in any form or co whatsoever, showing the owner entitlement to the money, the g proprietary rights, including, b to bank credit, travellers cheque cheques, money orders, shares bonds, bills of exchange and le	ocuments and apacity rship or goods or the but not limited ues, bank s, securities,
	The term 'originating from any all crimes. In the first instance include 'underlying crimes'. It citing the relevant Article of the these are: participation in an organised corganisation (2:57, 2:80, 2:127) blackmail (2:294 – 2:297); terrorism (2:54 in conjunction 1:203 and 1:204); trafficking in smuggling of persons (2:154 are sexual exploitation, including sexploitation of children (2:239) black market in narcotics and substances (1:118(d) in conjuncation of the Opium Act); illegal arms trading (1:118(e) in with Article 6 of the Munitions 1 of the Weapons Act);	y crime' covers this may n succession, ne Penal Code, eriminal and 2:252); with 1:202, n persons and nd 2:239); sexual this psychotropic to with n conjunction s Act and Article
	illegal trade in stolen and other and 2:399); corruption and bribery (2:314, and 2:352); fraud (2:305);	

				forgery (2:169 to 2:172); counterfeiting and product piracy (2:307); environmental crime (Article 52 of the Waste Water Act, Article 33 of the Nature Management and Protection Principles Act, Article 38 of the Prevention of Contamination by Vessels Act and Article 81 of the Maritime Management Act); murder and serious physical injury (2:259, 2:262, 2:273 to 2:276). The Penal Code has entered into force on July 1st, 2015
37. Dual criminality	LC	It is not clear whether the assistance provided by Sint Maarten occurred regardless of the existence of dual criminality.		THE DRAFT CRIMINAL PROCEDURES CODE HAS BEEN REVIEWED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ADVICE AND THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE IS MAKING THE ADAPTATION IN CONFORMITY WITH THE ADVICES RECEIVED. HEREAFTER IT WILL BE SUBMITTED AGAIN TO THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS AND THEREAFTER TO PARLIAMENT. Dual criminality is a legal requirement in Article 2 1a of the EDACs. The draft Criminal Procedures Code regulates the provision of mutual assistance in Article 555 up to and including Article 566 and it does not require the existence of a treaty.
38. MLA on confiscation and freezing	PC	The deficiencies in R36 impact Sint Maarten's ability to extend mutual legal assistance	Amend the Penal Code to address the deficiencies set out in the ratings table	Already dealt with but more specific legislation is under construction as mentioned under R36. THE RECOMMENDED ACTION ON THE EXTENT OF THE MLA HAS BEEN

				INCORPORATED IN THE PENAL CODE. THE INTRODUCTION ORDINANCE WAS APPROVED BY PARLIAMENT ON FEBRUARY 27 TH , 2015. THE DRAFT OF THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURES CODE IS ON REVIEW AT THE COUNCIL OF ADVICE. THE PENAL CODE ENTERED INTO FORCE ON JUNE 1, 2015. THE DRAFT CRIMINAL PROCEDURES CODE HAS BEEN REVIEWED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ADVICE AND THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE IS MAKING THE ADAPTATION IN CONFORMITY WITH THE ADVICES RECEIVED. The draft Criminal Procedures Code regulates the provision of mutual assistance in Article 555 up to and including Article 566.
39. Extradition	PC	The deficiencies in R36 impact Sint Maarten's ability to extend mutual legal assistance through extradition.	Implement the recommended actions outlined in relation to SRII.	Already dealt with but more specific legislation is under construction, as far as the CPC SXM is concerned, and in legislative process as far as CC SXM is concerned. THE RECOMMENDED ACTION ON THE EXTENT OF THE MLA HAS BEEN INCORPORATED IN THE PENAL CODE. THE INTRODUCTION ORDINANCE WAS APPROVED BY PARLIAMENT ON FEBRUARY 27 TH , 2015.

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40. Other forms of co-operation	PC	 The Extract General Regulation Import, Export and Transit of 1908 NG 1949 No. 62 (In relation to Customs) and all domestic legislation with respect to the law enforcement entities should provide for international cooperation with their counterparts No provisions have been identified under NOSCBI, RFETCSM, NOSIIA or the NOSTCSP which reflect that the Central Bank can undertake investigations on behalf of their foreign counterparts. Statistics have not been provided with respect to spontaneous referrals of information as well as to information supplies on request in order that there can be an adequate assessment of the implementation of this criteria 	 Authorities should consider revising the respective Ordinances (NOSBCI, RFETCSM, NOSIIA, NOSTCSP to expressly allow for the CBCS to undertake investigations on behalf of their foreign counterparts. Consequential amendments to the Charter governing the powers of the CBCS may also be necessary to allow for the amendment of the Ordinances as recommended. The authorities should maintain statistics on entities' spontaneous referrals of information as well as information supplied as a result of a request. This system can be used at a policy and operational level to adequately assess the country's international cooperation efforts for AML/CFT. 	laws with the exception of the RFETCSM or the CBCS charter do not allow for the CBCS to undertake investigations on behalf of their foreign counterparts. The draft Harmonization law (supervision of financial institutions) provides for foreign supervisors to operate under CBCS supervision. The Supervision law on MTC's also provides for this. THE TWO DRAFTS OF THE CBCS SUPERVISION LEGISLATION OF THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS (1. SUPERVISION OF THE MTC AND 2. THE HARMONIZATION OF THE SUPERVISION DO INCORPORATE AMENDMENT TO

Sint Maarten's domestic legislation for all law enforcement entities should specifically provide for international cooperation with their foreign counterparts.	
	Articles 183, 184 and 185 of the CPC ensure international cooperation between law enforcement entities and their counterparts. The international cooperation is regulated in the articles 521 and 522 of the CPC. All law enforcement entities mean Customs, Police, Coastguard and <i>Landsrecherche</i> . Also the fraud unit of the Tax Office and all others who have been authorized to investigate offences. The NORUT already in its article seven has this arrangement. The other domestic laws do not have this provision for the CBCS.
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	THE DRAFT CRIMINAL PROCEDURES CODE HAS BEEN REVIEWED BY THE COUNCIL FOR ADVICE AND THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE IS MAKING THE ADAPTATION IN CONFORMITY WITH THE ADVICES RECEIVED. HEREAFTER IT WILL BE SUBMITTED AGAIN TO THE COUNCIL OF

Nina Cuaisl				MINISTERS AND THEREAFTER TO PARLIAMENT. This recommendation has been included in the draft Harmonization law. Reference is made to the annual reports of the MOT of the years 2010-2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014. This requirement has been included in (1) the draft National Ordinance on the FIU, in (2) the draft Harmonization law, and (3) the draft National Ordinance on Supervision
Nine Special Recommendatio ns				
SR.I Implement UN instruments	PC	Refer to the ratings Table at Sections 2.2 and 2.4 of this Report.		Reference is made to the comments under recommendation 35. Further information remains pending.
SR.II Criminalize terrorist financing	NC	 No specific penalty is reflected in the Penal Code for the offence of TF. The indirect or unlawful provision of funding for the commission of a terrorism offence is not criminalized. The wilful provision of funds etc. to individual terrorists is not criminalized. TF is not independently criminalized and therefore there is no comprehensive treatment of terrorist financing in the Penal Code as required by the TF Convention. The Penal Code does not specify a penalty for the legal person which participates in an organization aimed at committing terrorist offences. 	 Article 48a of the Penal Code should be revised to expressly criminalise the indirect or unlawful provision of funding for the commission of a terrorism offence as set out in article 2(a) of the Terrorist Financing Convention. Article 48a of the Penal Code should be revised to expressly criminalize the wilful provision of funds etc. to individual terrorists. Penal Code should be revised to independently criminalize Terrorism Financing should be effected without delay. 	Next to that the proposed article 2:54 and 2:55 PC SXM creates the crime of aiding or abetting a terrorist crime under which financing also can be deemed as a crime. In article 2:55 the financing of crime is punishable as a severe crime. Next to that article 1:120 PC SXM (currently article 48a) criminalizes the aiding and abetting of the crimes mentioned in article 2:54 and 2:55. Of course criminal attempts are punishable under 1:119 PC SXM (currently article 47). As far as legal persons are concerned the proposed article 1:127 (currently article 53) states that legal persons can commit a criminal acts mentioned in the PC SXM. Next to that is should be pointed out

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Not all terrorism offences referenced in Annex 1 to the TF Convention are criminalized as required.	 Penal Code should be amended to incorporate specific penalties for the offence of TF. Article 146a of the Penal Code (which extends to participating in a terrorist organization) should be revised to specify a penalty for the legal person who participates in such an organization. 	that paragraph 7 of the proposed article 1:54 PC (currently creates a possibility to punish legal persons more harshly. Next to that the paragraph 2 and 3 of the mentioned proposed article 1:127 PC SXM (article 53) makes de facto leaders of the legal person punishable as well With the adaption of the new PC SXM all offence in the mentioned Conventions will be criminalized. THE RECOMMENDED ACTIONS ON THE CRIMINALIZATION OF TERRORISM FINANCING HAVE BEEN INCORPORATED IN THE PENAL CODE. THE INTRODUCTION ORDINANCE WAS APPROVED BY PARLIAMENT ON FEBRUARY 27 TH , 2015. THE PENAL CODE ENTERED INTO FORCE ON JUNE 1, 2015. TF HAS BEEN CRIMINALIZED.
	• The Authorities should amend the Penal Code to criminalize all the offences referenced in the Conventions and Protocols referenced at Annex 1 to the TF Convention.	THE DRAFT OF THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURES CODE IS ON REVIEW AT THE COUNCIL OF ADVICE. The introduction Ordinance (IO) to enact the Penal Code was reviewed by the Council of Advice and is now ready to be submitted to Parliament for approval. Expected enactment of the Penal Code by the IO: December 2014. THE RECOMMENDED ACTIONS ON THE CRIMINALIZATION OF TERRORISM FINANCING HAVE BEEN INCORPORATED IN THE PENAL CODE. THE INTRODUCTION

		ORDINANCE WAS APPROVED PARLIAMENT ON FEBRUARY 27 TH , 20 THE PENAL CODE ENTERED INTO FON JUNE 1, 2015. TF HAS CRIMINALIZED. The indirect or unlawful provision of further commission of a terrorism offence out in article 2(a) of the Terrorist Final Convention is included in Article 2:55 Penal Code. The wilful provision of funds etc. to inditerrorists is included in Article 2:55 of the Code. The criminalization of terrorism Financincluded in Article 2:55 of the Penal Code. Specific penalties for the offence of TF been included in the Penal Code of the penalization of a legal person participates in a terrorist organization has included in the draft National Ordic Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism General Code in the draft National Ordic Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism General Code in the draft National Ordic Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism General Code in the draft National Ordic Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism General Code in the draft National Ordic Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism General Code in the draft National Ordic Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism General Code in the Penal Code in	For have a who as been inance rorism
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SR.III Freeze and confiscate terrorist assets

- The framework does not support an ability to invoke freezing mechanisms in response to a requesting foreign State's freezing requirement.
- The substantive freezing mechanism for persons listed pursuant to UN Resolution 1267 (1999) would not meet the 'without delay' requirement based on the intervening legislative process between listing by the UN and issue of the requisite Sanctions National Decree which compels the freezing.
- There is no clear guidance specially to other persons and entities concerning their obligations in taking action under the freezing mechanism.
- The Sanctions National Decree does not expressly refer to assets jointly held by designated persons, terrorists or terrorist organizations with third parties. The wording of the Decree also raises issues of enforceability of sanctions against the entire asset which is held "in part" by designated persons, terrorists or terrorist organizations.
- There is no wording in the FATT Protocols which indicate compliance with these Protocols is mandatory or that breaches of the Protocols can be sanctioned by the Central Bank.

- The substantive freezing mechanism for persons listed pursuant to UN Resolution 1267 (1999) should be reviewed and appropriate adjustments made to ensure that the requirement of acting 'without delay' will be met in relation to subsequent freezing obligations that arise pursuant to terrorist related UN Resolutions that are issued.
- The Sanctions National Decree should also expressly refer to assets jointly owned or controlled by designated persons, terrorists or terrorist organizations with third parties, and should incorporate wording to clearly communicate the enforceability of sanctions against the entire asset which is held "in part" by a designated person, terrorist or terrorist organization.
- Sint Maarten should provide guidance to all persons and entities with regard to obligations in taking action under the freezing mechanism.
- The FATT Protocols should incorporate wording to clearly reflect that compliance with these Protocols is mandatory and that breaches of the Protocols can be sanctioned by the Central Bank.

The matter of Mutual Assistance is dealt with in the current CPC SXM article 555 and further (International Mutual Assistance) but will be more expressively mentioned and regulated more detailed in the new (draft) Criminal Procedure Code.

The draft article 560 CPC creates a possibility to respond immediately to a request, when regulated by International Treaties combatting Terrorism and the Financing of Terrorism (and other International Treaties. In the draft Explanatory Memorandum it is clearly and expressively mentioned that the article is amended to expressively state that this article offers this possibility to the authorities.

When the request is received the freezing of assets and freezing mechanisms are dealt with in the articles 119 until 173 draft CC. Besides that the possibility of further Financial Investigation in the Criminal Procedure is dealt with in Title XVI of the Criminal Procedure Code.

THE RECOMMENDED ACTION ON FATF SR III CONCERNING THE FREEZING AND CONFISCATION OF ASSETS HAVE BEEN INCORPORATED IN THE PENAL CODE. THE INTRODUCTION ORDINANCE WAS APPROVED BY PARLIAMENT ON FEBRUARY 27TH, 2015.

THE DRAFT OF THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURES CODE IS ON REVIEW AT THE COUNCIL OF ADVICE.

THE DRAFT CRIMINAL PROCEDURES CODE HAS BEEN REVIEWED BY THE

			COUNCIL FOR ADVICE AND THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE IS MAKING THE ADAPTATION IN CONFORMITY WITH THE ADVICES RECEIVED. HEREAFTER IT WILL BE SUBMITTED AGAIN TO THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS AND THEREAFTER TO PARLIAMENT. The revised freezing mechanism for persons listed pursuant to UN Resolution 1267 (1999) has been included in the draft National Ordinance amending the Sanctions Ordinance which is in legislative process. The amendment of the Sanctions National Decree to refer to assets jointly owned or controlled by designated persons, terrorists or terrorist organizations with third parties, clearly communicating the enforceability of sanctions against the entire asset which is held "in part" by a designated person, terrorist or terrorist organization, is included in the draft of the National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. The guidelines will be provided by the Sint Maarten Department of Foreign Affairs. Pending (to be provided by the Central Bank of Curaçao and Sint Maarten.
SR.IV Suspicious	NC	Rating factors in R13 apply to this Recommendation.	The new draft law (merged and updated NORUT-NOIS) will specifically address the issue of suspicious transaction reporting.

transaction reporting				THE MOT IS BUSY WITH THE MERGING OF THE NORUT AND THE NOIS IN WHICH THE RECOMMENDED ACTION CONCERNING FATF SR IV ON SUSPICIOUS TRANSACTIONS WILL BE INCORPORATED. THE ACTUAL MERGING OF THE NORUT AND THE NOIS IS TAKING PLACE NOW AND THE FINALIZATION OF THE DRAFT IS FORSEEN IN JANUARY 2016. Reference is made of the amended MDIUT that goes into force on May 1 st , 2016. The MDIUT was sent by email dated March 23 rd , 2016 to the CFATF secretariat.
SR.V. International cooperation	PC	 The deficiencies in R36 impact Sint Maarten's ability to extend mutual legal assistance through extradition. The deficiencies in SRII impact Sint Maarten's ability to extend assistance in connection with combating TF and terrorist acts. The deficiencies in R40 would impact Sint Maarten's to the exchange of information regarding TF. 	Amend the Penal Code to address the deficiencies set out in the ratings table. Implement the recommended actions outlined in relation to SRII	Next to that the proposed article 2:54 and 2:55 CC SXM creates the crime of aiding or abetting a terrorist crime under which financing also can be deemed as a crime. In article 2:55 the financing of crime is punishable as a severe crime. Next to that article 1:120 CC SXM (currently article 48a) criminalizes the aiding and abetting of the crimes mentioned in article 2:54 and 2:55. Of course criminal attempts are punishable under 1:119 CC SXM (currently article 47) Mutual Assistance furthermore is (article 555 and further CPC) and will be more specifically be regulated in the new (draft) CPC SXM is concerned, and as far as the new PC SXM is concerned. The introduction Ordinance (IO) to enact the Penal Code was reviewed by the Council of Advice and is now ready to be submitted to Parliament for

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				approval. Expected enactment of the Penal Code by the IO: December 2014. THE RECOMMENDED ACTIONS ON FATH SR V CONCERNING INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION HAVE BEEN INCORPORATED IN THE PENAL CODE. THE INTRODUCTION ORDINANCE WAS APPROVED BY PARLIAMENT ON FEBRUARY 27 TH , 2015. THE PENAL CODE ENTERED INTO FORCE ON JUNE 1, 2015. THE DRAFT CRIMINAL PROCEDURES CODE HAS BEEN REVIEWED BY THE
				COUNCIL FOR ADVICE AND THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE IS MAKING THE ADAPTATION IN CONFORMITY WITH THE ADVICES RECEIVED. Reference is made of recommendation 36.
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SR.VI AML/CFT requirements for money/value transfer services	NC	There continue to be MTCs operating within Sint Maarten without licenses from the Central Bank. Provisions for MTCs to update the Central Bank on the number of agents and sub-agents should be formalised.	 Shut the operations of unauthorised MTCs operation in Sint Maarten. Provisions for MTCs to update the Central Bank on the number of agents and sub agents should be formalised. 	The MTCs operating without a license will be shut down by the PPO. One MTC is busy with an application for a license at the CBCS. The MOT is responsible for the reporting of unusual transactions by service providers. From this perspective the MOT approaches all MTC's to urge them to report the unusual transactions. The issue will again be discussed with the minister of Justice.
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				THE PROVISIONS FOR THE MTC TO UPDATE THE CBCS ON THE NUMBER OF AGENTS AND SUB AGENTS HAS BEEN FORMALIZED IN THE NEW DRAFT LEGISLATION ON SUPERVISION OF MTC. THE UNLICENSED MTC HAS STARTED A CASE AGAINST THE CBCS WHICH THE MTC HAS LOST IN FIRST INSTANCE. NOW THE CASE IS IN REVIEW AT THE APPEALS COURT. APPEAL WILL BE HANDLED BEFORE THE END OF 2015. The draft National Ordinance on Supervision of the Money Remitter Companies regulating these requirements is in legislative process.
SR.VII Wire transfer rules	PC	 The E.C. for wire transfers are not detailed in the relevant P&Gs. There are no explicit provisions in the P&G for CI to be risk-based. 	• Sint Maarten should detail the requirements with respect to SR VII for the relevant financial institutions instead of relying on the general provision in the P&G for CI to observe the latest Interpretive Note to SR VII	The P&G for MTC has been amended to implement the recommended actions. STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. THE P&G HAVE BEEN UPDATED BY THE CBCS TO REFLECT THE RECOMMENDED ACTION CONCERNING FATF SR VII ON WIRE TRANSFER RULES. THE ACTUAL MERGING OF THE NORUT AND THE NOIS IS TAKING PLACE NOW AND THE FINALIZATION OF THE DRAFT IS FORSEEN IN JANUARY 2016. The requirements with respect to SR VII (now recommendation 16) for the relevant financial institutions have been included in the draft National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing.

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SR.VIII NPOs	NC	 No recent assessment on the on the risk with regard NPO sector. There is no oversight or supervisory regime for NPOs. No requirement for NPO sector to keep financial information. No procedures in place to ensure that they are able to effectively investigate and gather information on NPOs. No training sessions or sensitization forum held for NPOs 	 Sint Maarten should conduct a new assessment on the risk with regard NPO sector. The Authorities should consider designating an authority to monitor and supervise the NPO sector. Sint. Maarten should institute an outreach program which provides adequate AML/CFT awareness about the risk of NPOs to terrorist financing. There should be appropriate sanctions available for those NPOs NPOs should be required to maintain transaction records for a minimum period of five (5) years. The Authorities in St. Marten should be procedures in place to ensure that they are able to effectively investigate and gather information on NPOs. There should be procedures in place which allow for timely and effective sharing of information on NPOs both domestically and internationally. The Authorities should consider issuing guidance specifically pertain to the NPO sector. 	This subject matter will be further examined by the judicial department of the ministry of Justice. STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. AS SOON AS THE MAJORITY OF THE KEY AND CORE RECS HAVE BEEN MET, THE MOT WILL START ANALYZING THE MATTER OF THE NPO AS STATED UNDER SR VIII. Sint Maarten is busy studying how the requirements with respect to SR VII (now recommendation 16) for the NPO will be addressed. Options: to include them in the draft National Ordinance Combatting Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing or to add these requirements to the Civil Code.
SR.IX Cross-Border Declaration & Disclosure	PC	 An ad hoc system is in place for the disclosure of the physical cross-border transportation of currency. There is no system to restrain currency where there is a suspicion of ML or TF. There are no statistics evidencing Customs' effectiveness in the area of international cooperation. 	 The authorities should ensure that they pursue the proposed declaration system to be completed by all passengers instead of the ad hoc disclosure system currently in place. The Authorities should consider implementing the system to restrain 	This subject matter will be further examined by the judicial department of the ministry of Justice. The law on cross-border transportation of currency will be amended to address all outstanding issues in December 2014. The proposed declaration system is already in place.

- There are no statistics regarding the number of false declarations and investigations forwarded to the PPO.
- There is no process for confiscating currency or negotiable instruments for persons listed in accordance with UNSCR 1373 and 1267.
- There are no statistics relating to shipments of gold or other precious metals and stones.
- There is no structure established for the training and targeted programmes for Customs.
- No current information available with respect to the timeliness of the dissemination of the information relating to suspicious cash declarations/disclosures.

currency where there is a suspicion of ML or TF.

- The authorities should maintain statistics evidencing Customs' effectiveness in the area of international cooperation.
- The Sint Maarten authorities should maintain the process for confiscating currency or negotiable instruments in implementing the UNSCR 1373 and 1267.
- The authorities should maintain a system to identify the source, destination and purpose of movement of gold or other precious metals and stones.
- A structure should be established for the training and targeted programmes for Customs.
- The authorities should ensure that the relevant authorities possess timely access to suspicious cash declarations or disclosures, or intentional lack of disclosures information.

A system to restrain currency is already in place.

The Customs Department already has the software to generate statistics and a database to store this data.

THE OUTSTANDING ISSUES HAVE BEEN INCORPORATED IN THE DRAFT AMENDMENT OF THE NATIONAL ORDINANCE ON CROSS-BORDER TRANSPORTATION OF CURRENCY. THE DRAFT IS NOW ON REVIEW TOGETHER AT THE CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT.

THE DRAFT NATIONAL ORDINANCE ON CROSS-BORDER TRANSPORTATION OF CURRENCY IS AT THE LEGAL DEPARTMENT FOR PROCESSING AND SUBMITTING TO THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

The MOT has developed a training program for all the Law Enforcement Agencies.

STATUS QUO; NO NEW UPDATE. THE TRAINING PROGRAM HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE.

THE AML/CTF TRAINING PROGRAM II HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE MINISTER AND THE EXECUTION THEREOF STARTED IN AUGUST 2015. THE CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED TRAINING IN SEPTEMBER 2015.

		This requirement has been included in the draft National Ordinance to amend the National Ordinance Cross-border Declaration and Disclosure.
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		This requirement has been included in Article 6 of the Sanctions National Decree of 2016 (AB 2016 CT no. 10).
		"Article 6 1. If persons or organizations, at the discretion of the Minister of General Affairs in accordance with the council of ministers, belong to the class of persons or organizations referred to in Resolution 1373 United Nations Security Council on September 28, 2001, as amended, the Minister of General Affairs may, in accordance with the council of ministers, and pending a European Decision to a restrictive measure in respect of such persons or organizations, establish a prompt decision and publish such in the Official Bulletin concerning the following.

	2. All resources belonging to the individuals and organizations, referred to in the first paragraph, be frozen. 3. Prohibit provision of financial services to, or for attention of the persons and organizations, referred to in the first paragraph. 4. Prohibit the making available of funds directly or indirectly to the persons and organizations referred to in the first paragraph."
	The Ministerial Decree implementing Article 2 of the National Ordinance CrossborderDeclaration and Disclosure form was realized in 2013 (AB 2013 no. 731). The form is sent to the secretariat in a separate email.
	Reference is made of the annual reports of the MOT.
	This is already being carried out. The disclosures are submitted to the MOT and the PPO in a timely fashion.