



Translation of: Forwarding of adopted second budget amendment 2025 Saba

Original title: Doorgeleiding vastgestelde tweede begrotingswijziging 2025 Saba

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Dear Mr. Van Marum,

On October 03, 2025, the Board of financial supervision of Bonaire, Sint Eustatius and Saba (Cft) received the second budget amendment (BW) 2025 adopted by the Island Council of the Public Entity Saba on September 22, 2025. The Island Council did not submit any amendments to the BW. In accordance with Article 21 in conjunction with Article 19 of the Act on Finances of the Public Entities Bonaire, Sint Eustatius and Saba (*Wet financiën openbare lichamen Bonaire, Sint Eustatius en Saba* – FinBES Act), the Cft hereby forwards you the documents for decision-making (Annexes 2 through 4).

Recommendation

The Cft recommends you approve the adopted second BW 2025.

Explanatory statement

On August 13, 2025, the Cft issued a positive advice pertaining to the second OBW, simultaneously to the reaction to the second implementation report of the Public Entity (Annex 4).¹ The budget, including the amendments as proposed in the adopted second BW 2025, shows a balanced result for the budgetary year in its entirety.

With its second draft budget amendment 2025, Saba increases both the income and the expenses of the budget by USD 5.7 million in total. USD 5.2 million thereof relates to the incorporation of special benefits. These resources primarily relate to projects in the field of climate, infrastructure, child daycare, energy supply and culture. The incorporation is a technical adjustment; separate functions and budget rules were introduced for all projects to improve record-keeping. The changes are implemented in response to recommendations of the Cft.

The remaining USD 0.5 million relate to adjustments in the free allowance, largely covered from reserves, for investments in ICT infrastructure, housing, cultural celebrations and small-scale infrastructure projects.

Trusting to have provided you with sufficient information.

Sincerely,

The Chair of the Board of financial supervision of Bonaire, Sint Eustatius and Saba

[signature]

Ms. L.M.C. Ongerling, MA

A copy of this letter was sent to:

The Executive Council of the Public Entity Saba

The Head of Finance of the Public Entity Saba

Annex 1: Endnotes

¹ Cft, reference Cft 202500084, Reaction to the second implementation report and advice pertaining to the second OBW 2025 of Saba, dated August 13, 2025.