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QUESTIONS:

1. **Debieuze Debiteuren (pag 9/16):** USD 937k has been written off. Is this only a result of invoices that have expired (verjaringstermijn) or is this also caused due to an incomplete/poor administration, whereby receivables are not booked correctly?
2. **The annual account including the accountant's report has been finalized.** Why hasn't this report been shared with the Island Council. Can the Island Council still receive a copy?
3. **In one year time an enormous backlog in the administration has been dealt with. (page 14).**
Where did this backlog come from taking into consideration that the intervention started already in february 2018 and more than one million dollars have been paid to an accountancy firm to improve the financial administration?
Has the output of the aforementioned accountancy firm been evaluated and if so, what was the outcome of this evaluation?
4. **Bijzondere uitkeringen (page 8).** An amount of USD 109.8 million has been mentioned as the total amount received in special allowances. Over what period of time has this amount been received?
5. **Bijzondere uitkeringen (page 19).** It is noted that these special allowances are a crucial part of the financing of the public entity for various policy initiatives. Most, if not all, of these policy initiatives should actually be financed through the regular budget of the OLE consisting of own income and the free allowance. What steps are being taken to have the free allowance increased for the OLE to become less dependent on those special allowances?
6. **Overspending of special allowances:** More than 2 million dollars in total have been overspent on a number of special allowances. One can read that these overspendings may have to be financed out of the regular budget of the OLE. To what extent and in which year will this have an effect on the regular budget and how will this be absorbed?

What is the reason that the salary cost of Francis/v. Rij has been overspent with USD 159.192?

What has caused the overspending on "onverharde wegen" with USD 677,810 and which projects does this special allowance cover?

What is the reason that the renovation of Smoke Alley Road became USD 815,901 more expensive than budgeted?

The roaming animals project has been overspent with USD 393,666. What has caused this overspending? Is this project still ongoing and if so:

- what will be the final overspending?
- when will the project be completed?

7. **The COS (new government administration building) project is having some delay.** This delay is caused because it requires an amendment to the spatial plan. Is this amendment part of the total overhaul of the spatial plan or only aimed at the site where the building is to be constructed?

When is expected that the amendment of the spatial plan will be completed?

8. **The funding for the harbor boat the Waterman has been depleted and the boat is still not operational.** This is an ongoing saga which runs now for at least two decades.

When will finally a permanent decision be made about the future of the Waterman and the operations of a harbor boat?