AUNTIE SUSHI'S WELLNESS

Auntie Sushi, Suzanne Camelia-Römer, member of National People's Party (PNP) and a lawyer. She served two times as Prime Minister of the Netherlands Antilles from 25 November 1993 – 28 December 1993 (1st time) and 14 May 1998 – 8 November 1999 (2nd time). She was Minister of Justice from 1992–1994 and Minister of National Recovery and Economic Affairs from 1999–2002. March 2016 she became the Minister for Traffic, Transport and Urban Planning of Curaçao. She kept this position in the Hensley Koeiman cabinet, installed on 23 December 2016, and became Minister of Health in 2017 as a member of her new party PIN.

A document PDF on auntie's goings-on has just now been published in Dutch, "<u>Wellness Sham</u>", of which follows a shortened version.

Some of the more recent fat, juicy and fruity titbits auntie Sushi passed across to her family and relations during her life in politics:

In 1994 ms. Römer as Justice Minister approved a "meditation" program in prison by a foundation affiliated with husband Carl Camelia. Value ANG250,000/USD138,000.

As minister of Transport plus, VVRP, ms. Römer charged Camelia's company ICUC International BV with the training for *Bachelor in Policing*, total costs over ANG 6 million.

Curaçao <u>*Rekenkamer*</u> [audit office]: "outsourcing of development and care [...] has not been lawful nor has it been effective"

Latest scandal is granting a significant assignment to Carl Camelia's son-in-law via <u>Texperiece</u> company.

Auntie also took care that BTP [Bureau Telecommunications and Post] got as director ex-con Franklin Sluis, with a salary twice that of his predecessor, ANG 60,000/USD33.000/month. Consequently, Sluis gave auntie a function with the Post, after she retired from Blue Factor company; which happened to go bankrupt not long after, leaving debts totaling over ANG15 million/USD8.25 million.

Sluis is director of the 2016 IPE Institute for Professional Excellence, a joint initiative of BTP, Aqualectra Utility, SOAB [*Stichting Overheidsaccountantsbureau*/Foundation Government Accountancy Agency—no kidding!], financed by BTP. One of its activities is organizing agricultural courses, remarkable for BTP.

Auntie is "passionately engaged" in her so-called Wellness Center and Ayurveda project. For this, she has made business trips (presumably paid by the government) to at least India, China, the Netherlands and Trinidad, accompanied by her husband who meanwhile propagandized his "Maharashi University" and "Maharashi Vedic Approach to Health"; both characterized by the medical world as quackery.

It seems auntie wants to settle her Wellness Center, together with her own ministry of health, in the former Colon building. SVB social security is supposed to pay for rebuilding costs. SVB has a yearly

budget of millions for prevention, and it looks like auntie is allowed to spend that amount at her discretion on her Wellness project. The way this works, the ministry gives orders to third parties and spends amounts that get paid by SVB without participation or control.

For example, journalist Mariano Heyden is on Wellness's payroll for over ANG9500/USD5225/month. This makes the impression of being a pure PR job for auntie's *Kunikito di Bario* with which Heyden is connected.

It's worth mentioning that SVB's director enjoys the extravagant salary of over ANG1 million/USD550,000/year, and in compensation may have to serve administrators.

GMN health ministry [*Gezondheid, Milieu en Natuur*—Health, Environment and Nature] for years has been giving courses, occasionally together with IPE. Surprisingly, not by the ministry but by the cabinet. Strong clues suggest that auntie uses and pays husband Camelia for these.

Not only was the first course "swales" given by Peter Swan from the Maharashi corner, Camelia is alleged to have been present in person. Also, the course was partly given in the World Trade Center, the address of the foundation.

Then there is the course *Regenerative farming*, instigated by GMN Health ministry. Camelia's foundation's website mentions certificates for the course are given. A Kris Johnson, affiliated with the Iowa Maharashi University, has told several people that he volunteered to give the lessons; but according to stories doing the rounds GMN and/or Wellness Fund and/or IPE have paid Camelia ANG3000/USD1650 per pupil.

And now for the cannabis story. Auntie has been agitating for years to get this off the ground; but the law has to be adapted first. Recently, she tried to get a shortcut detour going where farmers would get a plot, and also, citizens would get allotments where they could grow their own vegetables. A shimmery deal was made was Aqualectra where the farmers would be able to buy water for the greatly reduced price for ANG3.50/USD1.95/m³. But the farmers would have to sign a deal with GMN, auntie's ministry, that they sell their produce only there.

You have to ask why existing horticulturists' sales center Soltuna is not indicated for the job. Further, why ABV (recently changed name of LVV dept. of *Landbouw, Veeteelt en* Visserij: agriculture, fishery and stock) was kept out. Also, the idea was bought by GMN from Fausto Balentien, who is managed by GMN Alvin Daal. So, which "growers" really benefit here? Doesn't it look like a sneaky path to promote cannabis culture (and have auntie and her hubbie pocket the profits)? Then also, how much water has Aqualectra reserved for this boondoggle?

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