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STATEMENT

The minister of Education, Science, Culture and Sport acknowledges the Accreditation Agency Curacao (AAC) as a national accreditation agency that will ensure the procedures for safeguarding the academic quality of higher education study programs as well as courses offered by vocational institutions.

The AAC is authorized to assess and accredit higher education programs at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels.

Any higher education institution, whether local or transnational, can approach the AAC for accreditation which according to the Higher Education Ordinance will be one of the conditions to grant recognition by the ministry of Education. The legislative process of this ordinance has already started and will soon be completed.

In anticipation of this legislation, the minister states that, if this legislation remains unchanged, the AAC will be designated as an accreditation organization that may assess programs at the level of higher education, given that this accreditation organization complies with Article 17 of this draft national ordinance. This designation will then be ratified in due course by means of a national decree.

Sithree van Heydoorn
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