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MEMORANDUM

FOR

The Directors

Biodiversity Management Bureau Environmental Management Bureau

Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau Strategic Communication and Initiatives Service

FROM

The OIC Director

Policy and Planning Service

SUBJECT

CONSULTATION MEETING AND BENCHMARKING ACTIVITIES ON NGO ACCREDITATION AND CERTIFICATION

DATE

17 APR 2023

This refers to the letter dated 13 March 2023 of Secretary Renato U. Solidum, Jr. of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST), requesting for a consultation/discussion meeting with the Department regarding the certification/accreditation of Non-Government Organization (NGO) or foundation.

Please be informed that the DOST is conducting a series of consultation meetings and benchmarking activities with targeted agencies, including the Department. In order to assess the relevance of the DOST Certifications program and to identify areas for improvement and collaboration in the certification process, the DOST is inviting representatives to discuss the following points of discussion:

- Scope and process of certification/accreditation of NGO/foundation in the DENR;
- Relationship and level of interaction of the DENR with the Philippine Council for NGO Certification (PCNC) and Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) relative to the certification/accreditation of NGO / foundation;
- Monitoring activities and engagement of DENR with the certified NGO/foundation; and
- Related or enabling policies issued by the DENR.

In this regard, we would like to seek inputs on the current processes pertaining to NGO or foundation certification/accreditation concerning your good Office and on the aforementioned points of discussion during the consultation meeting, which is tentatively scheduled on 15 May 2023.

We would appreciate receiving your response and feedback, as well as the details of your designated representative/s, on or before 05 May 2023.

Kindly refer to the DOST letter and annexes for more details on the DOST processes and policies relative to NGO certification/accreditation which can be accessed thru this link: bit.ly/43uD9Se

For your information and appropriate action, please.

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