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MEMORANDUM

TO : ALL REGIONAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

FROM : THE UNDERSECRETARIES
Field Operations – Luzon, Visayas and Environment
Field Operations – Mindanao

SUBJECT : RESOLUTIONS OF THE NATIONAL PEACE AND ORDER COUNCIL (NPOC) ADOPTED AND APPROVED DURING ITS APRIL 2023 MEETING

DATE : JUL 27 2023

Pursuant to the Memorandum dated 18 July 2023 of Ms. Marilou G. Erni, Undersecretary and Chief of Staff regarding the attached letter from the Undersecretary Marlo L. Iringan of Department of Interior and Local Development endorsing the following resolutions of the National Peace and Order Council (NPOC) adopted and approved during its 18 April 2023 meeting:

1. Resolutions No. 1, s. 2023 – A Resolution Enjoining Local Peace and Order Councils to Align their Plans and Programs with Chapter 13: “Ensure Peace and Security and Enhance Administration of Justice” of the Philippine Development Plan 2023-2028;
2. Resolution No. 2, s. 2023 – A Resolution Directing Law Enforcement Agencies and the Armed Forces of the Philippines to Strengthen and Heighten Security Deployment Plans; and
3. Resolution No. 3, s. 2023 – A Resolution Enjoining the Institutionalization of the DILG’s Buhay Ingat, Droga’y Ayawan (BIDA) Program

Kindly inform party/ies concerned and the undersigned of any action taken on the subject matter.

For compliance.


ATTY. JUAN MIGUEL T. CUNA, *CESO I*


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MEMORANDUM

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THE UNDERSECRETARY
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FROM : **The Undersecretary and Chief of Staff**

SUBJECT : **RESOLUTIONS OF THE NATIONAL PEACE AND ORDER
COUNCIL (NPOC) ADOPTED AND APPROVED DURING
ITS 18 APRIL 2023 MEETING**

DATE : JUL 18 2023

Respectfully referred, for information and appropriate action, is the attached letter from Undersecretary Marlo L. Iringan of Department of the Interior and Local Government endorsing the following Resolutions of the National Peace and Order Council (NPOC) adopted and approved during its 18 April 2023 meeting:

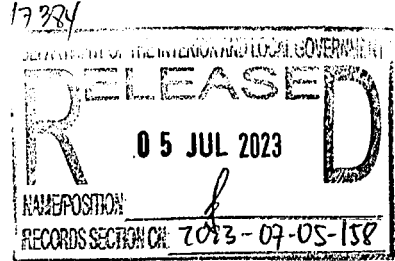
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Kindly inform party/ies concerned and the undersigned of any action taken on the subject matter.


MARILOU G. ERNI

cc: **Undersecretary Marlo L. Iringan**
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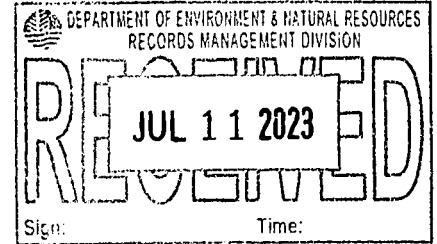
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MARIA ANTONIA Y. LOYZAGA
 Secretary
 Department of Environment and Natural Resources
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Dear Secretary LOYZAGA:

Greetings of peace!

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 773, Series of 2009, the National Peace and Order Council (NPOC) is responsible for coordinating and monitoring the government's integrated peace and order efforts and affirmative actions, as well as, providing an avenue for interdisciplinary dialogue and deliberation on major issues and problems affecting peace and order.

On April 18, 2023, the NPOC convened jointly with the Regional Peace and Order Councils (RPOCs) for its 1st Semester meeting. During said meeting, the NPOC approved and adopted the following resolutions:

1. **Resolution No. 01, s., 2023** – *A Resolution Enjoining Local Peace and Order Councils to Align their Plans and Programs with Chapter 13: "Ensure Peace and Security and Enhance Administration of Justice" of the Philippine Development Plan 2023-2028*
2. **Resolution No. 02, s., 2023** – *A Resolution Directing Law Enforcement Agencies and the Armed Forces of the Philippines to Strengthen and Heighten Security Deployment Plans*
3. **Resolution No. 03, s., 2023** – *A Resolution Enjoining the Institutionalization of the DILG's Buhat, Droga'y Ayawan (BIDA) Program*

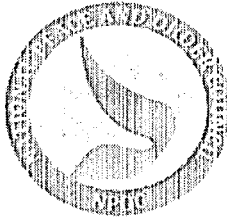
Anent thereto, this Department would like to respectfully endorse the said resolutions for your Agency's reference and further appropriate actions, as may be deemed appropriate. Update/s on any action or consideration taken on the matter is appreciated.

Finally, this Department extends its deepest gratitude for your unwavering support in promoting peace and security throughout the country.

Very respectfully yours,

MARLO L. IRINGAN
 Undersecretary for Local Government

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Republic of the Philippines
NATIONAL PEACE AND ORDER COUNCIL

NPOC RESOLUTION NO. 1
Series of 2023

**A RESOLUTION ENJOINING LOCAL PEACE AND ORDER COUNCILS TO
ALIGN THEIR PLANS AND PROGRAMS WITH CHAPTER 13: "ENSURE PEACE
AND SECURITY AND ENHANCE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE" OF THE
PHILIPPINE DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2023-2028**

WHEREAS, the Marcos Administration envisions a united and collective effort towards sustainable and inclusive growth and a commitment to uplift the lives of the Filipino and ensure a *matatag, maginhawa, at panatag na buhay para sa lahat*.

WHEREAS, the Philippine Development Plan (PDP) 2023-2028 is the flagship medium-term development plan encapsulating the vision of the Marcos Administration, particularly in addressing short-term and medium-term constraints during a period of economic recovery.

WHEREAS, the PDP 2023-2028 is a plan framed by the Marcos Administration's 8-point socioeconomic agenda which seeks to address both short-term issues and medium-term constraints to growth and inclusion.

WHEREAS, the PDP 2023-2028 captures a whole-of-government and whole-of-society approach in establishing an inclusive and coordinated plan to recover from the effects of the pandemic and to drive forward the shared goals and aspirations of every Filipino.

WHEREAS, the manifestation of peace and security is a necessary condition in allowing the implementation of development activities that bring more opportunities for growth and innovation.

WHEREAS, protection from conflict, crimes, and other threats, and the effective and efficient administration of justice is necessary to promote the quality of life and inspire trust and confidence among stakeholders through integrity, accountability, and accessibility.

WHEREAS, the Philippine National Police (PNP) is the government's primary law enforcement agency tasked to uphold peace and order, safeguard the Filipino communities, and enforce the law to eradicate criminality.

WHEREAS, the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) shall organize, train, equip, deploy, and sustain forces in the conduct of operations to protect the sovereignty of the state and integrity of national territory from terrorism, aggression, and subversion.

WHEREAS, the Department of Justice (DOJ) is the primary department tasked to uphold the rule of law and to maintain a just and orderly society through an effective, speedy, and compassionate administration of justice.

WHEREAS, the local peace and order councils are identified to be vital in fostering the various aspects of peace-building in coordination with various national agencies and law enforcement agencies.

WHEREAS, Chapter 13 of the PDP 2023-2028 establishes the overall strategy framework to ensure peace and security and enhance the administration of justice in the country.

WHEREAS, Sub-chapter 13.1 highlights the four (4) outcomes of the strategy framework in ensuring peace and security, namely: *Protection and Development of Conflict-Affected Communities Sustained, Quality of Life of People Safeguarded from Criminality, Protection and Safety from Natural Hazards and Other Security Threats Ensured, and Territorial Integrity and Sovereignty Upheld and Protected.*

WHEREAS, Sub-chapter 13.2 highlights the three (3) outcomes of the strategy framework in enhancing the administration of justice, namely: *Quality and Efficiency in Disposition of Cases improved, Access to Quality Free or Affordable Legal Services by Filipinos Improved, and Quality of Life of Persons Deprived of Liberty (PDL) improved, and Productive Re-Integration of PDL in the Community Ensured;*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT, the National Peace and Order Council (NPOC), Regional Peace and Order Councils (RPOCs), and all local peace and order councils (POCs) align their plans and programs with Chapter 13 of the PDP 2023-2028 and integrate the Strategy Framework in the policies and activities of all POCs nationwide.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT, the Philippine National Police (PNP) shall strengthen their efforts towards professionalization, rights-based policing, and improving capability against traditional and non-traditional threats.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT, the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) shall strengthen their capacity on security assessment, operations, geopolitical response, and ensure the development of a strong and self-reliant defense force.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT, the Department of Justice (DOJ) shall ensure strong coordination, communication, and collaboration efforts to bolster the effective and efficient administration of justice and accountability.

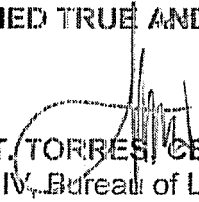
RESOLVED FURTHERMORE THAT, the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) shall support the development of peace and security through strengthening of the POCs through the POC Performance Audit, and provision of capacity building interventions.

RESOLVED FINALLY THAT, a copy of this resolution be presented to the AFP, PNP, DOJ, OPAPRU, NTF-ELCAC, and other members of the peace and security sector.

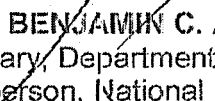
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

Adopted this 18th day of April 2023, at the Manila Hotel, City of Manila, during the 1st Joint NPOC-RPOCs Meeting 2023.

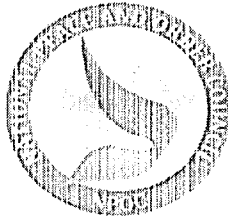
CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:


DEBIE T. TORRES, CESO V
Director IV, Bureau of Local Government Supervision
Head, Interim National Peace and Order Council Secretariat

ATTESTED TO HAVE BEEN ADOPTED:


ATTY. BENJAMIN C. ABALOS, JR.
Secretary, Department of the Interior and Local Government
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Republic of the Philippines
NATIONAL PEACE AND ORDER COUNCIL

NPOC RESOLUTION NO. 2
Series of 2023

**A RESOLUTION DIRECTING LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AND THE
ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES TO STRENGTHEN AND HEIGHTEN
SECURITY DEPLOYMENT PLANS**

WHEREAS, the former Chairperson of the Regional Peace and Order Council VII, Governor Roel R. Degamo was assassinated last March 4, 2023, while he was distributing aid to his constituents.

WHEREAS, aside from Governor Degamo, other local public officials have been injured or killed in attacks nationwide, politically motivated or otherwise.

WHEREAS, since 2018, there has been a total of 266 attacks and attempted killings of local government officials, with 45 incidents recorded in 2022 and 11 since the start of 2023.¹

WHEREAS, the Philippine National Police (PNP) reported a total of 20 election-related violent incidents, which resulted in 24 deaths, during the previous Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) elections last May 14, 2018.

WHEREAS, the upcoming Barangay and SK elections will undoubtedly invite politically-motivated attacks and violent incidents that threaten the sanctity of local elections and the safety of all involved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT, the National Peace and Order Council (NPOC) and Regional Peace and Order Councils (RPOCs) direct the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP), PNP, and other concerned law enforcement agencies to strengthen and heighten their security deployment plans, especially in anticipation of the upcoming barangay elections on October 30, 2023.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT, the NPOC shall work closely with the PNP, the AFP, the NBI, and other law enforcement agencies to prevent all manners of attacks and violence against public officials and servants.

RESOLVED FURTHERMORE THAT, the NPOC and the RPOCs express their full support for the success of resolving cases against the attacks to local elective officials, and in fully restoring peace and order to the affected areas of jurisdiction.

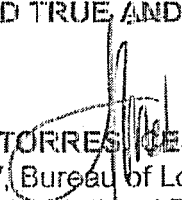
¹ PNP Data provided to the Interim NPOC Secretariat

RESOLVED FINALLY THAT, a copy of this resolution be provided to the PNP, AFP, the NBI, and other concerned law enforcement agencies.


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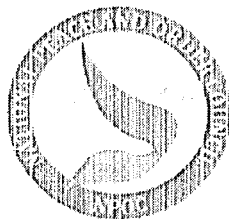
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NPOC RESOLUTION NO. 3
Series of 2023

**A RESOLUTION ENJOINING THE INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF THE DILG'S
BUHAY INGATAN, DROGA'Y AYAWAN (BIDA) PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Republic Act No. 6975, also known as the "*Department of the Interior and Local Government Act of 1990*", the DILG is mandated to promote peace and order, ensure public safety, and strengthen local governance aimed towards the effective delivery of basic services to the citizenry. As such, the DILG continues to develop and formulate plans, programs, and policies to reinforce this mandate.

WHEREAS, the DILG issued the guidelines in the implementation of holistic approach of the "*Buhay Ingatan, Droga'y Ayawan (BIDA) Program*" that aims to counter the proliferation of illegal and dangerous drugs with the assistance of DILG Regional Offices and local government units across the country.

WHEREAS, the BIDA Program, in line with the mandate of the Peace and Order Councils and the current administration, seeks to improve the quality of life, and safeguard the Filipino people leading to the attainment of our 2040 ambition to provide "*Matatag, Maginhawa at Fanatag na Buhay*."

WHEREAS, the BIDA Program envisions to create a lasting impact towards the reduction of drug proliferation among communities, encourage people to stay away from drugs, and remove the stigma against drug dependence, and addiction through ensuring access to recovery, and rehabilitation.

WHEREAS, the BIDA Program implements a multisectoral approach which includes meetings, conferences, and activities with other National Government Agencies (NGAs), Local Government Units (LGUs), and Civil Society organizations (CSOs).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT, the NPOC and RPOCs hereby support the institutionalization of the DILG's *Buhay Ingatan, Droga'y Ayawan (BIDA) Program* to raise awareness, promote health and wellness, strengthen institutions in the implementation of drug supply and demand reduction activities, and encourage multi-sectoral participation.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT, the RPOCs shall encourage its sub-national POCs in giving priority to preventive or educational programs, and in establishing Community-Based Drug Rehabilitation Programs, by appropriating substantial amounts in their respective Peace and Order and Public Safety (POPS) plans.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT, the members of the NPOC shall foster meaningful partnerships with stakeholders in the provision of livelihood and job opportunities to support rehabilitated and integrated Person Who Use Drugs (PWUDs), out-of-school youth (OSYs) and their families, and in increasing access to rehabilitation and integration programs, among others.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT, all members of the NPOC and RPOCs shall advocate drug-free workplaces in their agencies.

RESOLVED FURTHERMORE THAT, all members of the NPOC and the RPOCs shall work closely with the DILG, as lead implementer of the BIDA Program, in providing oversight, support, and technical assistance in the implementation of the program.

RESOLVED FINALLY THAT, a copy of this resolution be provided to all members of the NPOC for reference, guidance, and integration of the BIDA Program to their respective mandates, plans, programs, and activities.

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