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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 2022 129

TO

CONCERNED GOVERNORS AND MAYORS

SUBJECT

NATIONAL CACAO CONGRESS ON NOVEMBER 24-25, 2022

AT THE SMX CONVENTION CENTER, DAVAO CITY

DATE

OCT 04 2022

The Philippine Cacao Industry Council (PCIC) & the Philippine Cacao Industry Association, Inc. (PCIA, Inc.), together with the Department of Trade & Industry (DTI) and the Department of Agriculture (DA), shall conduct the National Cacao Congress on November 24-25, 2022 at the SMX Convention Center, Davao City.

The Congress aims to congregate three thousand (3,000) attendees who are involved in the cacao value chain, noteworthy of which are the private cacao farmers/stakeholders, cacao and chocolate processors from all over the Philippines, as well as governors, mayors and councilors who finds prospective return in cacao investment using their Mandanas-Garcia funds. Also invited are government agencies actively supporting and partnering the cacao industry such as the PCA, DOST, DAR, DENR and this Department.

Relevant thereto, in consideration of the request of the PCIC and PCIA, through its Chairperson and President respectively, Consul Armi Lopez Garcia, participants from concerned the provincial, city municipal local government units which have POTENTIAL to engage in the CACAO industry are encouraged to attend the said activity.

The payment of corresponding travelling expenses and registration fees, if there are any, and to defray the subsequent cost of hotel accommodation, meals and activity materials, per person, may be authorized chargeable upon local government funds, in accordance with, and subject to, applicable limitations provided under COA

Circular No. 2012-003 dated October 29, 2012, and conventional accounting and auditing requirements and pertinent laws, rules and regulations.

All DILG Regional Directors are hereby directed to cause the immediate and widest dissemination of this Memorandum Circular to concerned LGUs within their respective jurisdiction.

For further inquiries, all concerned may directly contact the PCIC / PCIA through email <u>PHcacaocouncil@gmail.com.</u>

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

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