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MEMORANDUM

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FROM : The Director

Legislative Liaison Office

SUBJECT: INVITATION TO TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (TWG) MEETING

AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON SEVERAL HOUSE BILLS FROM THE COMMITTEE ON INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES AND INDIGENOUS PEOPLES OF THE HOUSE OF

REPRESENTATIVES

DATE : 24 August 2023

This refers to the electronic letter received by our Office dated 23 August 2023, the Committee on Indigenous Cultural Communities and Indigenous Peoples of the House of Representatives will hold a face-to-face Technical Working Group (TWG) Meeting on 06 September 2023, Wednesday, 9:00 AM at Room 5, Ramon V. Mitra Building, House of Representatives on the following legislative measures:

- HOUSE BILL 1064 "AN ACT TO ENSURE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES TO MEMBERS OF INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES AND PREFERENCE IN CERTAIN CASES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES" Introduced by Rep. Luisa Lloren Cuaresma;
- HOUSE BILL 4294 "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A FREE AND CULTURE-SENSITIVE SYSTEM OF REGISTRATION CONCERNING THE CIVIL STATUS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES" Introduced by Reps. Arlene D. Brosas, France L. Castro, and Raoul Danniel A. Manuel;

- House Bill No. 6641 "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A FREE AND CULTURE-SENSITIVE CIVIL REGISTRATION FOR INDIGENOUS PEOPLES"
 Introduced by Rep. Rufus B. Rodriguez; and
- House Bill No. 3340 "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A SYSTEM PROTECTING THE COMMUNITY INTELLECTUAL RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES/INDIGENOUS PEOPLES" Introduced by Rep. Maximo. Y. Dalog, Jr.

In this regard, may we respectfully request for comments/recommendations on the abovementioned bills in anticipation of the Committee meeting, as requested by the Committee. Kindly send them on or before 31 August 2023, at 5 PM via email at denrllo@denr.gov.ph. Further, kindly inform us of the name/s of the representative/s from your office who will participate in the TWG meeting so we may include him/her/them as resource person/s.

Attached herewith are the Letter Invitation, Matrix of Position Paper, and the House bills for your reference.

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cc: Undersecretary for Special Concerns and Legislative Affairs