

MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Directors Legal Affairs Service Policy and Planning Service Climate Change Service

> The Bureau Directors Environmental Management Bureau Forest Management Bureau Land Management Bureau

All Regional Executive Directors

FROM : The Director Legislative Liaison Office

INVITATION TO THE COMMITTEE MEETING AND REQUEST FOR SUBJECT 2 POSITION PAPER ON SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL ENTITLED: "PHILIPPINE CACAO INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT ACT" AND HOUSE BILL NO. 3489 ENTITLED: "AN ACT ESTABLISHING UPLAND SUSTAINABLE AGROFORESTRY DEVELOPMENT (USAD) PROGRAM IN UPLAND AGRICULTURAL LANDS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR" OF THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DATE : 03 August 2023

In reference to the electronic mail received by our Office, the Committee on Agriculture and Food of the House of Representatives is inviting the Department to a meeting on 07 August 2023 (Monday), 9:30 A.M. at Conference Rooms 3 and 4, RVM Building, House of Representatives, Quezon City to discuss the following legislative measures:

- Substitute House Bill to House Bill Nos. 1370, 1411, 2931, 3546 and 6591 "AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING A PHILIPPINE CACAO DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, CREATING FOR THE PURPOSE THE PHILIPPINE CACAO INDUSTRY COUNCIL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"
- House Bill No. 3489 "AN ACT ESTABLISHING UPLAND SUSTAINABLE AGROFORESTRY DEVELOPMENT (USAD) PROGRAM IN UPLAND AGRICULTURAL LANDS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

In this regard, may we respectfully request a position paper on the abovementioned bills, in anticipation of the Committee meeting, as requested by the Committee. Kindly send them on or before 4 August 2023, at 5:00 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 meeting so we may include him/her/them as resource person/s.

Attached herewith are the Letter Invitation, and copies of the Substitute House Bill and House Bill No. 3489 for your reference.

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cc: Undersecretary for Special Concerns and Legislative Affairs