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**FROM:** DIR **ARIEL T PERLADO** MNSA  
Chair, ERIC-4B

**SUBJECT:** Copy of NTF-ELCAC Memorandum No 2023-01-01 dated 27 January 2023 re Guidance of NTF-ELCAC Vice Chair and NSA Eduardo M Año

**DATE:** 09 February 2023

**DIR ARIEL T PERLADO MNSA**  
NICA-4B Regional Director  
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Republic of the Philippines  
Office of the President  
**NATIONAL TASK FORCE TO END LOCAL COMMUNIST ARMED CONFLICT  
(NTF-ELCAC Secretariat)**

**MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 2023-01-01**

**TO :** ALL CLUSTER AGENCIES AND REGIONAL/LOCAL TASK FORCES

**FROM :** **SECRETARY EDUARDO M. AÑO**  
Vice Chairman, NTF-ELCAC  
National Security Adviser and  
Director General, NSC

**SUBJECT :** **Guidance of the Vice-Chairman**

**DATE :** 27 January 2023

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In line with the President's unity and reconciliation agenda, which is being pursued along the 8-point Agenda of the Philippine Development Plan (PDP) 2023-2028, specifically in Chapter 13, that is, to: "Ensure Peace and Security and Enhance Administration of Justice", the National Clusters shall be guided by the following:

1. First and foremost, let us conduct an honest assessment on the implementation of the ELCAC National Plan 2019 – 2022 as basis for the formulation of our national plan for this administration. After which, the different clusters and regional task forces will craft their respective implementing plans to serve as basis for monitoring the attainment of our objectives.
2. Let us replicate the identified best practices in the different regions. For instance, the construction of halfway houses for former rebels should be done in all affected provinces and implement the DILG-initiated capacity building program for the barangays.
3. We will exhaust all means to pursue the plans and programs of the 12 Lines of Effort by providing the needed technical and logistical requirements to speed up the termination of the communist armed conflict in the country before the end of the President's term.
4. Extend the necessary assistance to the Local Government Executives as the central figure in the implementation of the Whole-of-Nation effort towards attaining inclusive peace and sustainable development in their respective areas and/from among his/her constituents.

5. The Barangay Development Program (BDP), as the flagship program in conflict-affected and disadvantaged areas, will be sustained towards building resilient communities and strong institutions, as well as to improve the welfare and well-being of our people.
  - At the national level, we will enhance our coordination with other line agencies to identify agency programs and projects in CTG-cleared barangays, over and above those included in the BDP. For instance, we will coordinate with the Department of Agriculture to ensure the inclusion of our proposed farm-to-market road projects in their FMR Master Plan and further identify other relevant agriculture programs that may benefit former rebels and agriculture communities in conflict areas.
  - On the other hand, at the local level, we will enhance our coordination with local government and regional development planners to ensure the inclusion of needed interventions in conflict areas
  - Encourage local and foreign funding institutions to provide resources to address the underlying needs of barangay-beneficiaries to sustain the gains of the BDP.
6. The Strategic Communication Cluster shall consolidate, craft and put into practice a “One Messaging Piece” for Government, from national down to the regional and sub-regional levels, to counter and respond to the CTG propaganda lines, prevent the public from being deceived, and gather support for the government.
  - Need to designate spokespersons at the national and local levels to re-echo timely and significant messages from the government.
  - All press releases (PRs) originating from the National Clusters and Joint Regional Task Forces (JRTFs), with national implications and those that will affect the administration, should be cleared by the NTF-ELCAC Secretariat.
  - However, the Clusters and JRTFs are free to release PRs pertaining to their respective ELCAC accomplishments.
7. We will intensify Information Operations at all levels, especially in the continuous conduct of Call To Action (CTA), in schools and universities to prevent CTG recruitment targeting the student/youth sector.
  - It should be noted that the Kabataan PLG garnered considerable vote during the May 2022 elections. Hence, our focus should be in areas where they obtained significant number of votes.
  - CTA should also be mandatory lecture program for ROTC or NSTP students.
  - CHED should be onboarding the SAKM Cluster’s CTAs in the universities & DepEd for the Senior High School students.

8. The Local Peace Engagement (LPE) mechanism should be institutionalized, especially in areas where the CTG still poses a threat.
  - LCEs should take the lead in the LPE mechanism.
  - We shall encourage the active support from other government agencies that can specifically address the needs and aspirations of CTG elements who want to go back to the mainstream society.
  - Generate additional resources for the E-CLIP, particularly the remaining 1,094 NPA members. Housing assistance for these FRs may be offered under the NHA's 1 million housing projects annually.
9. Legal offensive against the CTG personalities and front organizations must be strongly pursued through a WON strategy, from evidence gathering, case build up, filing of cases, until conviction is achieved.
  - Aggressively continue investigation and case build up on CTG personalities and organizations, especially those involved in ~~terrorism~~ financing.
  - Private witnesses should be secured and protected while ensuring the presence of AFP and PNP witnesses in court hearings.
10. Step up focus military operations and development support operations to dismantle the remaining five (5) active guerilla fronts, four (4) in Samar and one (1) in South Cotabato, and the 17 weakened GFs the soonest possible time
11. It is highly encouraged to tap the assistance of Former Rebels (FRs) in bringing the truth about the CTG to the people. The FRs play a crucial role in the mission of NTF-ELCAC as the FRs provide support in the validation or counteract the lies/deceptions being peddled by the CTG including its duplicitous character.
12. ~~On~~ the leadership of the JRTFs, we will pursue the reactivation of the CORDS. Aside from the cabinet members, we will explore the possible designation of the Presidential Assistants to lead the ELCAC mechanism in their respective regions.

**FOR COMPLIANCE.**