

BY HAND

16 June 2016

CHAIRMAN ANDRES D. BAUTISTA
COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS
Palacio Del Gobernador
General Luna St.
Intramuros, Manila

Re: Request for Information as to Compliance with the Requirements of R.A. No. 8436, as amended by R.A. No. 9369

Dear Chairman Bautista:

We write in behalf of Senator Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr., a Vice- Presidential candidate in the last elections.

Pursuant to R.A. No. 8436, as amended by R.A. No. 9369, to assure that the results of an election conducted through "an automated election system" are "fast, accurate and reflective of the genuine will of the people",¹ certain requirements are mandated by the law, among others, in its Section 6 (Minimum System Capabilities), Section 7 (Communication Channels for Electronic Transmissions), Section 11 (Functions of the Technical Evaluation Committee), Section 12 (Procurement of Equipment and Materials), Section 29 (Random Manual Audit) and Section 30 (Authentication of Electronically Transmitted Election Results).

May we respectfully request information as to whether the requirements of the aforementioned provisions of R.A. No. 8436, as amended by R.A. No. 9369, have been

¹ Section 1.

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complied with; the dates when compliance was effected; persons who conducted the required tests or verification; those present and copies of all reports pertaining thereto.


Since we urgently need the above information in connection with a determination of whether Senator Marcos is filing a protest to contest the proclamation of candidate Maria Leonor G. Robredo as Vice-President, and the grounds therefore, we would appreciate receiving your response no later than 22 June 2016. To avoid any delay, kindly advise us by telephone so that we may send a messenger to receive your response.

Further, we would like to call your attention to our previous letter requests dated 11 May 2016, 17 May 2016, 19 May 2016, 31 May 2016 and 02 June 2016. For the record, we have not received any reply to any of these letters, except the letter from Atty. Ronaldo R. Gutierrez dated 23 May 2016 in response to our 17 and 19 May 2016 letters, which merely stated that the request for a system's audit was forwarded to the Commission en banc for consideration. Copies of these letters as received by your office are herewith attached.

Finally, we would like to make special mention of our letter dated 11 May 2016, as well as to our letters dated 17 and 19 May 2016 [with respect to the other requests]. To date, we still have to receive your reply to said letters. On this score, please be reminded of the pertinent provisions of R.A. No. 6713.

Thank you and best regards,

Very Truly Yours,


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