



Republic of the Philippines COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS Intramuros, Manila

ELECTORAL CONTESTS ADJUDICATION DEPARTMENT Second Division

October 4, 2017

THE HON. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTORAL TRIBUNAL

Electoral Tribunal Bldg., Commonwealth Ave. Quezon City (x)

Attention: ATTY. GIRLIE I. SALADRA

Secretary of the Tribunal

Dear Sirs/Mesdames,

Greetings!

On May 3, 2017, the Commission (**Second Division**) received an *Order* dated May 2, 2017 from the Honorable House of Representative Electoral Tribunal (HRET), the dispositive portion of which reads as follows:

xxx WHEREFORE, the Second Division, Comelec is INFORMED that, except for all the thirty-two (32) precincts in the Municipality of Languyan, Tawi-Tawi which is involved in HRET Case No. 16-007, Ajihil vs. Sahali, all the other precincts in the aforesaid request are not involved in any other election protests filed and pending before this Tribunal.

The Comelec's request for temporary prior custody of the ballot boxes, election documents and related paraphernalia for the Municipality of Languyan, Tawi-Tawi is GRANTED. However, the Tribunal will exercise its preferential right over the ballot boxes involved in the instant case, in accordance with Comelec Resolution No. 2812 dated October 17, 1995, once the Tribunal commences the revision and recount of ballots in HRET Case No. 16-007, Ajihil s. Sahli, Lone District of Tawi-Tawi. xxx

Anent thereto and in view of the *Resolution* promulgated by the Honorable Presidential Electoral Tribunal (PET) in P.E.T. Case No. 005¹ on August 29, 2017 granting the Commission (**Second Division**) request for temporary custody of the ballots, other election paraphernalia, including the List of Voters such as the EDCVL, VRR and Book of Voters as well as data

storage devices in relation to the May 9, 2016 Elections for the position of Regional Governor in the Autonomous Region of Muslim Mindanao (ARMM), the undersigned, in behalf of the Commission (**Second Division**), respectfully inquires whether the Honorable Tribunal had exercised their preferential right over the ballot boxes and other election paraphernalia relative to the Municipality of Languyan, Province of Tawi-Tawi, ARMM and the current status thereof.

For the information of the Honorable Tribunal, the following clustered precincts in the Municipality of Languyan, Province of Tawi-Tawi, ARMM are included in the pilot protested precincts in EPC Case No. 2016-37 (Tan vs. Hataman) pending before this Commission:

Municipality of LANGUYAN, TAWI-TAWI			
	Barangay	Precinct ID Nos.	Clustered Precinct Nos.
1.	Languyan Proper (Pob.)	70090003	4A
2.	Basnunuk	70090011	19A, 19B, 20A
3.	Darussalam	70090013	22A, 22B, 22C
4.	Darussalam	70090014	23A, 23B, 24A, 24B
5.	Kalupag	70090017	28A, 28B, 29A
6.	Kiniktal	70090018	30A, 31A
7.	Kiniktal	70090019	32A, 33A, 33B
8.	Marang-Marang	70090022	37A
9.	Maraning	70090023	38A, 38B, 39A
10.	Parang Pantay	70090024	40A, 40B, 41A, 41B
11.	Parang Pantay	70090025	42A, 42B, 43A
12.	Tubig Dakula	70090028	48A, 48B, 49A
13.	Tuhog-Tuhog	70090029	50A, 51A

The Honorable Tribunal's usual accommodation on this matter is highly appreciated and the same will help the Commission in the immediate disposition and/or resolution of the subject case.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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