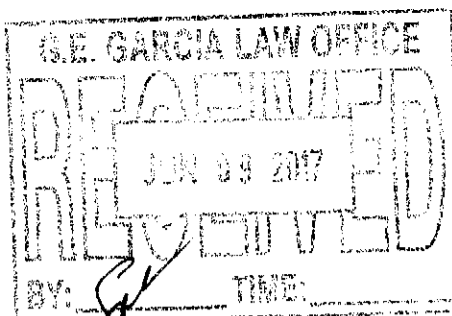




Republic of the Philippines
Presidential Electoral Tribunal
Manila



NOTICE

Sirs/Mesdames:

*Please take notice that the Tribunal issued a Resolution dated **JUNE 6, 2017**, which reads as follows:*

“PET Case No. 005 - FERDINAND “BONGBONG” R. MARCOS, JR., protestant, versus MARIA LEONOR “LENI DAANG MATUWID” G. ROBREDO, protestee.

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RESOLUTION

The protest and counter-protest assail the election results in 47,263 clustered precincts. Specifically, protestant assails the election results in 39,221 clustered precincts – 36,465 of which for the conduct of manual count and judicial revision, while the remaining 2,756 for the annulment of election results. On the other hand, counter-protestant assails the election results in 8,042 clustered precincts.

To aid the Tribunal in the just and expeditious disposition of the protest and counter-protest, the Tribunal deems it necessary to already constitute a panel of three (3) hearing commissioners to act on behalf of and under the control and supervision of the Tribunal in presiding over, among others, the reception of evidence under Rules 55 to 62 of the PET Rules.

The panel of commissioners shall have such powers as may be inherent, necessary, or incidental to the accomplishment of the foregoing. However, all actions and decisions of the panel of commissioners shall be subject to review by the Tribunal.

The following are hereby appointed as commissioners:

- a. Justice Jose C. Vitug, as Chairperson,
- b. Atty. Angelito C. Imperio, as Member, and
- c. Atty. Irene Ragodon-Guevarra, as Member.

Atty. Irene Ragodon-Guevarra

The commissioners shall decide unanimously to every extent possible, provided that in the event of failure to reach a unanimous decision, the majority decision shall prevail. During scheduled hearings, the presence of at least two of the commissioners shall constitute a quorum. The commissioners shall be entitled to the following compensation:

- a. ₱15,000.00 per day of hearing/service for the Chairperson; and,
- b. ₱10,000.00 per day of hearing/service for the Members.

IN VIEW OF THE FOREGOING, the Tribunal resolves to:

- a. **CONSTITUTE** a panel of three commissioners to act on behalf of and under the control and supervision of the Tribunal in presiding over, among others, the reception of evidence under Rules 55 to 62 of the PET Rules;
- b. **APPOINT** the following as chairperson and members of the panel of commissioners, with their respective compensation:
 - i. Justice Jose C. Vitug, as Chairperson, with a compensation of ₱15,000.00 per day of hearing/service;
 - ii. Atty. Angelito C. Imperio, as Member, with a compensation of ₱10,000.00 per day of hearing/service; and
 - iii. Atty. Irene Ragodon-Guevarra, as Member, with a compensation of ₱10,000.00 per day of hearing/service;
- c. **NOTE WITHOUT ACTION**, protestant's Urgent Ex-Parte Motion to Designate Hearing Commissioners, in view of (a) and (b);

The Tribunal further resolves to:

- d. **NOTE** (i) PET Official Receipt No. 7424404B dated May 2, 2017 acknowledging receipt of Eight Million Pesos (P8,000,000.00) as cash deposit (First Installment) made by protestee in compliance with the Resolution dated April 25, 2017; (ii) protestee's Manifestation and Compliance dated May 5, 2017 stating that on May 2, 2017, protestee paid the first installment in the amount of Eight Million Pesos (P8,000,000.00);

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- e. **GRANT** protestee's Urgent Ex-Parte Motion for Leave to File and Admit Attached Comment and Opposition (To the Omnibus Motion i. To Dismiss the Counter-Protest and ii. Reiterate the Immediate Setting of the Preliminary Conference dated April 19, 2017) dated May 5, 2017;
- f. **NOTE** aforesaid Comment and Opposition (To the Omnibus Motion i. To Dismiss the Counter-Protest and ii. Reiterate the Immediate Setting of the Preliminary Conference dated April 19, 2017, and **GRANT** prayer to deny protestant's motion to dismiss as stated in the Omnibus Motion i. To Dismiss the Counter-Protest and ii. Reiterate the Immediate Setting of the Preliminary Conference dated April 19, 2017, in view of (d) above;
- g. **NOTE** the Letter dated May 5, 2017 of Atty. Girlie I. Salarda, Secretary, House of Representatives Electoral Tribunal (HRET) and **GRANT** the request for authority to take custody of the ballot boxes, list of voters with voting records, books of voters, data storage devices containing electronic data evidencing the content and results of the election, and other documents or paraphernalia used in the May 9, 2016 elections involved in the election protest cases therein enumerated which are now pending with the HRET;
- h. **NOTE** the Letter dated April 1, 2017 of Jose M. Tolentino, Jr., Executive Director, Office of the Executive Director, COMELEC, and **GRANT** the request for clearance to transfer all files pertaining to the May 9, 2016 National and Local Elections, to the New Municipal Building, subject to the following:
- a) COMELEC shall give the Tribunal and the parties prior notice of the date of the transfer of the ballot boxes and all files pertaining to the May 9, 2016 National and Local Elections; and
 - b) COMELEC shall inform the Tribunal and the parties of the status and result of the foregoing activities;
- i. **NOTE** the Letter dated April 26, 2017 of Jose M. Tolentino, Jr., Executive Director, Office of the Executive Director, COMELEC, and **GRANT** the request for authority to transfer the 2016 ballot boxes from their present location, subject to the same conditions as (h) above;
- j. **NOTE** (i) the Letter dated May 15, 2017 of Hilda L. Esquejo-Bumachi, Branch Clerk of Court, Branch 23, Regional Trial Court (RTC), Candon City, Ilocos Sur, and (ii) the Letter dated April 25, 2017 of Jose M. Tolentino, Jr., Executive Director, Office of the

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Executive Director, COMELEC, and **GRANT** the requests for authority to decrypt as stated therein, subject to the following:

- a) Requesting authority shall give the Tribunal and the parties prior notice of the date of the decryption and printing of ballot images; and
 - b) The Tribunal and the parties shall be allowed to observe and participate therein;
- k. **NOTE** the Letter dated May 16, 2017 of Atty. Mona Ann T. Aldana-Campos, Election Officer IV, Office of the Election Officer, 2nd District, Caloocan City and the Letter dated May 16, 2017 of Annaliza E. Mendiola, OIC-City Treasurer, City of Caloocan, and **GRANT** request for authority for the turn-over of the election documents in HRET Case No. 16-012 (Mary Mitzi L. Cajayon-Uy vs. Edgar R. Erice) as stated therein;
- l. **GRANT** Motion for Additional Time [Re: Compliance with dated April 18, 2017 and Resolution dated April 25, 2017] dated May 5, 2017 and Motion for Additional Time [Re: Compliance with Resolution dated April 18, 2017] dated May 17, 2017 filed by the OSG;
- m. **NOTE** the Letter dated April 25, 2017 of Jose M. Tolentino, Jr., Executive Director, COMELEC, and **GRANT** the request to open the ballot box for Clustered Precinct No. 77 of Barangay Partida I, Guimba, Nueva Ecija, to retrieve the Main SD Card used during the May 9, 2016 National and Local Elections, which was inadvertently placed therein by the Board of Election Inspectors, subject to the following conditions:
- a) COMELEC shall give the Tribunal and the parties prior notice of the date of the retrieval of the Main SD Card; and
 - b) The Tribunal and the parties shall be allowed to observe and participate therein;
- n. **NOTE** the Letter dated May 12, 2017 of Atty. Lionel Marcos R. Castellano, Provincial Election Supervisor-IV, Province of Cebu pertaining to the Order issued by the COMELEC (Second Division) on April 17, 2017 in EPC No. 2016-16;
- o. **NOTE WITHOUT ACTION** the Letter dated February 20, 2017 of Florante Q. Suarez;

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- p. **REQUIRE** protestee to Comment on protestant's Motion for Decryption and Printing of Ballot Images dated June 1, 2017 within a non-extendible period of five (5) days from notice;
- q. **DEFER ACTION** on protestee's Motion for Reconsideration, *Pro Tanto* (of the January 24, 2017 Resolution), as the matters therein shall be discussed during the preliminary conference; and,
- r. **RESET** the preliminary conference from June 21, 2017 at 2:00 P.M. to July 11, 2017 at 2:00 P.M. at the En Banc Session Hall, to allow all members of the Tribunal to participate therein, and in view of the petition in G.R. No. 231658 and related petitions that require the Court En Banc's immediate and urgent action. Nonetheless, the parties are still directed to submit their preliminary conference briefs on or before June 16, 2017." Mendoza and Martires, JJ., on official leave. (1)

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