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SPECIAL ORDER

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SUBJECT: CREATION OF FACT-FINDING COMMITTEE FOR THE REPORTED IMPROPER MANAGEMENT OF REVENUE FUNDS OF THE RICE PROCESSING COMPLEX (RPC), PILAR, BOHOL

In the interest of service and to ensure proper conduct of investigation related to the reported improper management of funds of the KOICA-assisted Rice Processing Complex (RPC) facility in Pilar, Bohol by the Bohol Farmers Multi-Purpose Cooperative (BOFAMCO) in-charge of the facility's operation, a Fact-Finding Committee is hereby created.

The Committee shall be composed of the following:

Chairperson : **Atty. Roland Tulay**, Legal Service (*Permanent*)
Atty. Paul Jeric Mallari, Legal Service (*Alternate*)

Members : **Dr. Michael A. Gragasin**, PhilMech (*Permanent*)
Engr. Bartolome S. Tesorero, Jr., PhilMech (*Alternate*)
Mr. Edmar Fajutagana, AMAS (*Permanent*)
Ms. Leonor Gabriel, AMAS (*Alternate*)
Ms. Angelita D. Martir, FOS-SPCMAD (*Permanent*)
Ms. Bathsheba Aparilla, FOS-SPCMAD (*Alternate*)

Secretariat: **Ms. Alma Oñate**, Legal Service
Ms. Ma. Arlene Gonzales, SPCMAD

The Committee shall have the following authority and functions:

1. Gather facts and evidence or take testimony to ascertain truthfulness on the reported improper management of funds of the KOICA-assisted RPC facility in Pilar, Bohol;
2. Summon parties to a conference where the committee or its member may propound clarificatory and other relevant questions (if necessary);
3. Determine if a prima facie case exist to warrant the issuance of a formal charge; and
4. Evaluate the facts and circumstances and submit its findings and recommendations to the Office of the Secretary through the Undersecretary for Operations within 30 days from the date of this Order.

This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force until the case is closed. All orders and memoranda inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 22nd day of October 2021.

WILLIAM D. DAR, Ph.D.
Secretary

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