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SPECIAL ORDER

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SUBJECT : DESIGNATION OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR OPERATIONS ARNEL V. DE MESA, CESO III AS THE MAIN FOCAL PERSON TO THE TECHNICAL AND ANALYTICAL ASSISTANCE FOR GREEN AND DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION OF AGRI-FOOD SYSTEM OF THE WORLD BANK

In the exigency of service, **ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR OPERATIONS ARNEL V. DE MESA, CESO III**, is hereby designated as the main focal person in view of the Department's ongoing discussions with the World Bank on the technical and analytical assistance (TAA) for green and digital transformation of agri-food system. The subject TAA aims to support the operationalization of the Department's priority policies on transitioning to sustainable low carbon emission focused on rice and livestock sub-sectors and leveraging science and digital technology for innovative value chain development and improved service delivery and policy decisions.

As the main focal person, Assistant Secretary de Mesa shall act as the representative of the Department responsible in leading the discussions with the World Bank and shall be authorized to coordinate with the concerned offices of the DA pertinent to conducting and facilitating the activities in delivering specific and agreed outputs of the technical assistance and analytical works.

All officials and employees of the Department including the Bureaus, attached agencies and corporations, Service Units and Regional Field Offices are hereby directed to give their full support and cooperation to Assistant Secretary de Mesa in the performance of his functions.

The above official is expected to perform his duties and responsibilities as designated in concurrent capacity with his regular functions, duties and responsibilities. He shall be entitled to traveling expenses, per diem and other incidental expenses that may be incurred, chargeable against the Office of the Secretary subject to existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This Order shall take effect immediately, and shall remain in full force and effect until repealed, amended or supplemented by a succeeding order. All orders and memoranda inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 21st day of September, 2023.

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Senior Undersecretary



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