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SPECIAL ORDER

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SUBJECT : COMPOSITION OF THE NATIONAL TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (NTWG) FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE NATIONAL PLAN OF ACTION FOR SMALL SCALE FISHERIES (NPOA-SSF)

In the exigency of service to facilitate the formulation of the National Plan of Action for Small Scale Fisheries (NPOA-SSF) consistent with the United Nations Food and Agriculture (FAO) Voluntary Guidelines for Sustainable Small-Scale Fisheries in the Context of Food Security and Poverty Eradication, the **National Technical Working Group (NTWG) on NPOA SSF** is hereby created and shall be composed of the following:

Chairperson : ATTY. DEMOSTHENES R. ESCOTO
Director, Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources

Vice-Chairperson : DEBIE T. TORRES, CESO V
Director, Bureau of Local Government Supervision (BLGS), DILG

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NATIONAL COMMISSION ON INDIGENOUS PEOPLES,
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Secretariat : **JUDY ANN C. ESTRELLA**, BFAR
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Functions of the NTWG


1. Lead the formulation of the National Plan of Action for Small Scale Fisheries;
2. Encourage and support the role and involvement of men, women and other vulnerable sectors along the SSF value chain;
3. Facilitate sharing and document experiences, learnings, and best practices in the implementation of the action plan for SSF;
4. Identify issues and concerns on SSF and provide recommendations/ measures for the effective and efficient implementation of the plan; and
5. Actively participate in relevant discussions in fishery policy-making processes and in the implementation of the SSF.

Functions of the Secretariat

1. Provide technical and administrative support in the activities of the National Technical Working Group;
2. Organize and facilitate meetings, workshops, consultations, and other activities of the NTWG-SSF, prepare and present working documents/reports as may be necessary; and
3. Perform other tasks as may be assigned by the NTWG Chairperson.

This Order takes effect immediately and shall remain in force until revoked in writing. All orders, memoranda and other issuances inconsistent herewith are hereby deemed revoked.

Done this 8th day of February 2024.


FRANCISCO P. TIU LAUREL JR.
Secretary

