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TO : ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER
DEPUTY COMMISSIONERS
SERVICE DIRECTORS AND DIVISION CHIEFS
DISTRICT AND SUB-PORT COLLECTORS
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

Attached herewith is the Department Order No. 041.2023 dated 19 July 2023 from the Department of Finance regarding the Inter-Agency Technical Working Group on Deficiency Taxes of Government Assets for Disposition.

For records purposes, please confirm the dissemination of this circular throughout your offices within fifteen (15) days from receipt hereof.

For your information and guidance.


BIENVENIDO Y. RUBIO
Commissioner



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DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 041.2023

In the exigency of service, an Inter-Agency Technical Working Group (the "TWG") on Deficiency Taxes of Government Assets for Disposition is hereby created and shall be composed of representatives from relevant government agencies, including, but not limited to the following:

Chairperson / Co-Chairperson and Member: Undersecretary / Assistant Secretary of the Department of Finance - Privatization and Corporate Affairs Group

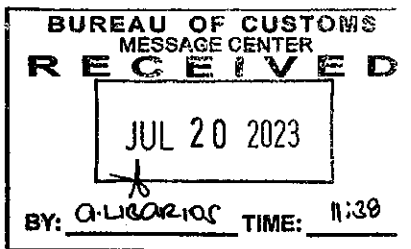
Other Members: Representative(s), Department of Finance - Revenue Generation and Local Finance Group

Representative(s), Bureau of Local Government Finance

Representative(s), Bureau of Internal Revenue

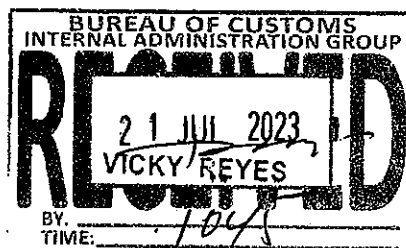
Representative(s), Bureau of the Treasury

Representative(s), Privatization and Management Office



The Department of Finance - Privatization and Corporate Affairs Group shall serve as the Secretariat and shall take minutes of the meeting of the TWG. Each member shall appoint permanent and alternate representatives of their office/department/agency to ensure the continuous and effective implementation of the objectives and purposes of the TWG. The initial members of this TWG as nominated by their office/department/agency (Annex A) is hereby adopted.

The main objective of the TWG is to formulate policy and implement the solutions regarding the outstanding tax liabilities in relation to or arising from the properties and/or assets transferred to the National Government and under different disposition entities, such as but not limited to, (i) properties located in San Miguel, Bulacan with an area of 1,551 ha.; (ii) properties/assets of the Coconut Levy Fund; and (iii) properties with the Privatization and Management Office (collectively referred to as the "Government Assets for Disposition"). The TWG is responsible for the following specific tasks:



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1. Identify strategy or workable solutions to fast-track the settlement of tax liabilities and/or deficiencies relating to or arising from the Government Assets for Disposition;
2. Discuss, process, and apply abatement or cancellation of taxes, penalties and/or charges related to or arising from the Government Assets for Disposition on a case-by-case basis and subject to the funds of the Bureau of the Treasury;
3. Establish a fast-lane in the Bureau of Internal Revenue National Office, the relevant Local Governments, and Registry of Deeds to prioritize and expedite the process of transferring the Government Assets for Disposition;
4. Streamline the process of transferring the ownership and registration of the Government Assets for Disposition from the private entity to the National Government and eventually to the winning bidder, whether private or public; and
5. Perform other acts that may be necessary to attain the objectives and goals of generating revenue from the speedy and timely disposition of Government Assets for Disposition.

Funds for the administration and operation of the TWG shall be allocated from available appropriation under the concerned implementing government agency, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This Department Order shall take effect immediately.

BENJAMIN E. DIOKNO
Secretary

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Annex "A" – Initial Members of the TWG

Office/Agency	Permanent Representative	Alternate Representative
Department of Finance - Privatization and Corporate Affairs Group	<p>Atty. Catherine L. Fong Undersecretary</p> <p>Atty. Glenda Rumohr-Figueroa Assistant Secretary</p>	<p>Atty. Ollie Haulo Project Manager IV</p> <p>Mr. Hoomer A. Monroyo Project Manager III</p>
Department of Finance - Revenue Generation and Local Finance Group	Mr. Dakila Elteen M. Napao Officer-In-Charge - RGFLG	Atty. Alpha Zara Ang
Bureau of Local Government Finance	To be provided	To be provided
Bureau of Internal Revenue	<p>Atty. Larry M. Barcelo Assistant Commissioner Legal Service</p> <p>Maria Luisa I. Belen Assistant Commissioner Assessment Service</p>	<p>Atty. Juanito H. Balbastre III Chief, Law and Legislative Division</p> <p>Atty. Mary Gretchen S. Mondragon National Investigation Division/ Legal and Legislative Division</p> <p>Rosanna P. San Vicente Head Revenue Executive Assistant Assessment Service</p>
Bureau of Treasury	Rosalia V. De Leon Treasurer of the Philippines	Eduardo Anthony G. Mariño III Deputy Treasurer of the Philippines
Privatization and Management Office	Atty. Maan Vanessa L. Doctor Chief Privatization Officer	Atty. Juan Carlo O. Pielago Deputy Privatization Officer Legal Services