

PRRD LIMITS INCENTIVE RATES FOR GOCC DIRECTORS

MANILA – The Office of the President has approved the revised Interim Performance-Based Incentive (PBI) System for the appointive directors of Government-Owned or -Controlled Corporations (GOCCs), as proposed by the Governance Commission for GOCCs (GCG), setting the limits and conditions on its grant.

The grant of the incentive was previously suspended following President Rodrigo R. Duterte's directive to study and control the allowances of GOCCs and other government entities for transparent and corrupt-free governance.

Under the revised system, an appointive director merits to receive PBI only if the GOCC achieved a weighted average

of at least 90 percent in its Performance Scorecard for the applicable year; and if it complied with the good governance conditions set by the Inter-Agency Task Force and the GCG.

In addition, the appointive director must have attended at least 90 percent of all duly called for board and committee meetings; rendered at least three months of aggregate service as an appointive director in any GOCC for the applicable calendar year; submitted all the requirements for the Director Performance Review; and has not been found guilty of an administrative and/or criminal case related to his/her work.

The maximum PBI amount that an appointive director may receive varies depending on its asset and revenue sizes based on the GOCC's classification under Executive Order 24, series of 2011.

With the revisions, the maximum PBI amount has decreased by 67 percent. For the largest GOCCs (Class A), the maximum PBI has been reduced to PHP512,000 from the previous maximum amount of PHP1,536,000. On the other hand, the maximum PBI for the smallest GOCCs (Class E) is now PHP64,000, compared to the previous PHP192,000.

The funding for the PBI

shall be charged to the respective corporate funds of GOCCs, subject to the approval of their respective Governing Boards per applicable laws, rules, and regulations.

With the upcoming State of the Nation Address (SONA), the revised PBI is another accomplishment by the President from his 2017 SONA, stating that salaries, allowances, incentives, benefits and bonuses across the GOCCs will have to pass by the Office of the President.

The limitations set would allow these government corporations to allocate more funds to better serve the public. (PR)

Imprudent to invoke defense pact with US now: Palace

MANILA -- Malacañang on Wednesday said invoking the mutual defense treaty (MDT) with the United States on the Reed Bank incident may be an irresponsible move at this time.

Presidential Spokesperson Salvador Panelo made this reaction as he dismissed Senator Panfilo Lacson's suggestion to invoke the nearly seven-decade old defense treaty between the Philippines and the US.

"Before we can invoke our Mutual Defense Treaty (MDT) with the United States, there must first be an act of aggression against us. The facts have yet to be established pointing to the incident as an act of aggression by the Chinese government," he said.

Panelo, also Chief Presidential legal counsel, said the MDT recognizes the primary use of peaceful means in resolving international disputes.

"Invoking the strong medicine of the MDT at this time when facts about the maritime incident in our exclusive economic zone have not yet been firmly established would not only be imprudent, it would be irresponsible as well," he said.

Panelo said the Philippine government's top priority is to advance the welfare of the 22 fishermen after their fishing boat was allegedly rammed and abandoned by a Chinese vessel while anchored

DND to acquire 2 landing docks for PH Navy

MANILA -- The Department of National Defense (DND), through the Revised Armed Forces Modernization Program, is allocating the sum of PHP5.56 billion for the acquisition of two brand-new landing docks for the Philippine Navy (PN).

The contract includes four landing craft utility and four units of rigid hull inflatable boats with integrated logistic supports. Winning bidders must be able to deliver the military vessels within 1,095 days.

A landing dock is an amphibious warfare ship with a well deck for transport and landing craft and amphibious vehicles.

In the PN, this function is

carried out by the two Tarlac-class strategic sealift vessels which were acquired from Indonesian shipbuilder PT PAL PERSERO in 2016 and 2017.

The invitation to bid bulletin, posted at the DND website, also said that the landing docks must have a minimum gross capacity of 7,000 tons.

Also, the PN requires tie-up with local companies or shipyards so that a minimum of one landing dock can be constructed in the Philippines.

The bid opening is slated for July 4, 10 a.m. at the DND Bids and Awards Committee Conference Room, Basement, DND Building, Camp Aguinaldo, Quezon City.

NBI ready to assist PNP in probe of Cebu town mayor's slay

MANILA -- Justice Secretary Menardo Guevarra on Thursday said police investigators will be getting a first crack in solving the killing of former Medellin, Cebu mayor Ricardo Ramirez.

off Recto Bank in the West Philippine Sea on June 9, 2019.

"Our immediate priority is looking out for the welfare of the affected 22 fishermen and for the safety of the entire Filipino fishing community, and even for the security of all our countrymen," he said.

Panelo called on the public to be more circumspect in what he calls is a time of confusion.

"We will let the local PNP do its investigation, the regional NBI (National Bureau of Investigation) will be ready to assist or, if necessary, conduct its own investigation," Guevarra said in a message to newsmen.

Ramirez, 55, was under detention at the Bogo-Medellin Corporation Medical Center in Barangay Luya, Medellin, Cebu when around 15 unidentified gunmen barged into his room and opened fire Tuesday morning.

Witnesses claimed the suspects with covered fac-

es arrived on board three sports utility vehicles (SUVs) and one sedan and proceeded to the lobby and emergency room where they disarmed guards and took the cellphones of hospital personnel.

The attackers held a jail guard and the boyfriend of Ramirez's daughter at gunpoint as they went after the mayor who was hiding in a restroom.

The killing is now being investigated to identify the perpetrators and make them accountable before the law.

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Prayer for Healing

JESUS, may Your pure and healthy blood circulate in my ailing organism, and may Your pure and healthy body transform my weak body, and may a healthy and vigorous life throb within me, if it is truly Your holy will. Amen.

O BLOOD AND WATER WHICH FLOWED OUT FROM THE HEART OF JESUS AS A FOUNTAIN OF MERCY FOR US, I TRUST IN YOU!



Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, Have Mercy on us and on the whole world. Amen.

3 O'CLOCK PRAYER

"You died Jesus, but the source of life flowed out for souls and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fountain of Life immeasurable Divine Mercy, cover the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us."

"O Blood and Water which flowed out from the heart of Jesus as a Fountain of Mercy for us, I trust in you!"

"Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One have mercy on us and on the whole world." (3x) Amen.

Jesus, King of Mercy, I trust in you!

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