



MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

Know All Men By These Presents:

This Memorandum of Agreement entered into this 14 day of APR 2015, 2015 in Makati City, Philippines, by and among:

The **NATIONAL COMPETITIVENESS COUNCIL**, with principal office at 3rd Floor, Tara Building, 389 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City, represented herein by **HON. GREGORY L. DOMINGO**, in his official capacity as Chairman, herein referred to as "NCC",

The **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**, with principal office at DILG-NAPOLCOM Center, EDSA corner Quezon Avenue, Quezon City, represented herein by **HON. AUSTERE A. PANADERO**, in his official capacity as Undersecretary, herein referred to as "DILG", and

The **LOCAL GOVERNMENT OF QUEZON CITY**, with principal office at Elliptical Road, Barangay Central, Quezon City, represented herein by **HON. HERBERT M. BAUTISTA**, in his official capacity as City Mayor, herein referred to as "QC-LGU",

WITNESSETH THAT:

WHEREAS, pursuant to OP Administrative Order No. 38, s., 2013, there is a need to improve on the Philippine ranking in the Doing Business Survey of the International Finance Corporation;

WHEREAS, the NCC has designed the Gameplan for Competitiveness to raise Philippine competitiveness rankings;

WHEREAS, the DILG, is a member of the inter-agency Task Force on Ease of Doing Business (EODB), which was created to ensure the implementation of the Gameplan for Competitiveness and to improve the Philippine ranking in DBS; and

WHEREAS, the QC-LGU was invited by the EODB Task Force to participate, complement and assist in the implementation of the Gameplan for Competitiveness;

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises, all Parties hereby agree that:

The NCC shall:

- a) Include QC-LGU as pilot LGU in the implementation of the Gameplan for Competitiveness to raise Philippine competitiveness rankings; and
- b) Provide the necessary technical support, options and strategies to ease the doing of business in Quezon City.

The DILG shall:

- a) Assist QC-LGU through provision of technical assistance, as may be requested, in the review of the current business permit and licensing system;
- b) Monitor compliance of QC-LGU with regard to its commitments in terms of ease of doing business reforms;
- c) Coordinate with National Government Agencies involved in any of steps in the entire doing business process in the Philippines, and ensure that they do not pass on to the QC-LGU, any component of their mandate in the process of doing business, which may result in additional red tape on the part of QC-LGU; and
- d) Initiate and push for amendments or enactments in Philippine laws that will result in further promoting ease of doing business in the country, thus providing a solid basis for significant reforms that may be adopted not only by the QC-LGU but nationwide as well.

The QC-LGU shall:

- a) Explore and study the possibility of implementing the 1-Window filing for Business Permit Applications (New/Renewal);
- b) Endeavor to trim down to not more than 1-2 days the processing time for New Business Permit applications, provided all documentary requirements are presented;
- c) Issue an implementing order for the new process not later than June, 2015; and
- d) Enact an ordinance on the institutionalization of the Enhanced One-Stop-Shop in the local government unit.

This Memorandum of Agreement shall be effective on the date of its signing. Any amendment or modification of this Agreement shall be made through written agreement of the Parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereunto set their hands on the place above written.

National Competitiveness Council

Local Government of Quezon City

By:


HON. GREGORY L. DOMINGO
Chairman

By:


HON. HERBERT M. BAUTISTA
Mayor

Department of the Interior and Local Government

By:


HON. AUSTERE A. PANADERO
Undersecretary

SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF:


HON. GUILLERMO M. LUZ
Co-Chairman, NCC


HON. ALDRIN C. GUÑA
Quezon City Administrator


HON. MANUEL Q. GOTIS
Director for BLGS, DILG



ACKNOWLEDGMENT

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES)
CITY OF MAKATI) S.S.

BEFORE ME, a Notary Public for and in the CITY OF MAKATI,
this _____ day of _____, 2015, personally appeared:
14 APR 2015

NAME	VALID ID/NO.	PLACE/DATE ISSUED
HON. GREGORY L. DOMINGO	<u>DTI ID NO. 04396</u>	<u>MAKATI CITY</u>
HON. AUSTERE A. PANADERO	<u>DILG ID NO. 00055</u>	<u>QUEZON CITY</u>
HON. HERBERT M. BAUTISTA	<u>Passport No. EC3151462</u>	<u>DFA MCA- NORTHEAST / 10 Jan 2015</u>

known to me and to me known to be the same persons who executed the foregoing instrument and they acknowledged to me that the same is their free act and deed and that of the Offices they respectively represent.

This instrument, consisting of three (3) pages including the page on which this acknowledgment is written, has been signed by the Parties and their witnesses and sealed with my notarial seal.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto affixed my signature on this day, year and place above written.

YOLANDA Y. VILLANUEVA
Notary Public
Until December 31, 2015
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