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## PALAWAN COUNCIL FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

**Excerpts from the Minutes of the 259th PCSD Regular Meeting**  
**Hue Hotel, Puerto Princesa North Rd, Bgy. San Manuel,**  
**Puerto Princesa City, Palawan**  
**9:00 a.m., October 24, 2019**

**Present:**

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| 1. Hon. Jose Ch. Alvarez, Governor of Palawan                       | Chair      |
| 2. Vice Gov. Victorino Dennis M. Socrates, Sangguniang Panlalawigan | Vice Chair |
| 3. Dir. Nelson P. Devanadera, Executive Director, PCSDS             | Secretary  |
| 4. Usec. Rodolfo C. Garcia, DENR                                    | Member     |
| 5. VADM Rene V Medina, WESCOM Commander                             | Member     |
| 6. Mr. Bobby L. Castro, Private Sector Representative               | Member     |
| 7. Hon. Mayor Amy R. Alvarez, President, LMP                        | Member     |

**Represented:**

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| 8. Usec. Adoracion M. Navarro, Deputy Director General, NEDA<br>Represented by Mr. Bernardino Atienza | Member |
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**Absent:**

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| 9. Mayor Lucilo R. Bayron, Puerto Princesa City     | Member |
| 10. Hon. Ferdinand D. Zaballa, Liga ng mga Barangay | Member |
| 11. Atty. Jansen Jontila, NGO Representative        | Member |
| 12. Usec. Ariel T. Cayanan, DA                      | Member |

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### PCSD RESOLUTION NO. 19-686

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**“SUPPORTING THE DECLARATION BY THE  
PROVINCIAL AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS OF  
PALAWAN OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE  
PHILIPPINES-NEW PEOPLE’S ARMY (CPP-NPA) AS  
PERSONA NON GRATA IN THE ENTIRE PROVINCE”**

**WHEREAS**, Article II of the 1987 Philippine Constitution expressly provides that the Philippines renounces war as an instrument of national policy, and that the maintenance of peace and order, the protection of life and liberty and property and the promotion of the general welfare of the public are essential for the enjoyment by all the people of the blessings of

*Vision:* Palawan, an innovative and dynamic global center of sustainable development

*Mission:* PCSDS as the driver of environmental conservation and inclusive development in Palawan, a biosphere reserve and science-for-sustainability site, guided by the Strategic Environmental Plan

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democracy, and that the State shall promote a just and dynamic social order that will ensure the prosperity and independence of the nation and free the people from poverty through policies that provide adequate social services, promote full employment, a rising standard of living and an improved quality of life for all;

**WHEREAS**, in 2017, the National Security Policy 2017-2022 was formulated, and one of its objectives is to safeguard the Philippines' "national interests which include, among others, the protection of the people, their ways of life, welfare and well-being";

**WHEREAS**, the same NSP 2017-2022 emphasizes the need to effectively respond to security threats that are linked to the country's development, or socio-economic being and also prosperity that leads to greater social peace and stability, to bring about more progress;

**WHEREAS**, NSP 2017-2022 promotes the significance of participatory governance, collaborative relationship between the Government and the people particularly with respect to public safety issues involving protection of human lives, private property, public assets and critical infrastructure;

**WHEREAS**, Executive Order No. 70, provides for the institutionalization of the Whole-of-Nation approach in attaining inclusive and sustainable peace, and to address the root causes of insurgency, internal disturbances and tensions, and other armed conflicts and threats by prioritizing and harmonizing the delivery of basic services and social development packages by the government, facilitating societal inclusivity, and ensuring active participants of all sectors of the society in the pursuit of the country's peace agenda;

**WHEREAS**, for many years up to present, the Communist Party of the Philippines-New People's Army (CPP-NPA) has been involved in and committed violent attacks threatening the safety of the persons and properties of governmental entities and private citizens;

**WHEREAS**, since its establishment of, the CPP-NPA, with the use of force, has overtly displayed its rebellious means and manners to "destabilize and topple the government without regard to the interest of the people";

**WHEREAS**, the province of Palawan's sustainable development has been affected due to the series of atrocities conducted by the CPP-NPA;

**WHEREAS**, the continued presence of the CPP-NPA seriously threatens Palawan and its populace's security and socio-economic development;

**WHEREAS**, the Council, like any other government bodies, "upholds the principle that peace and development can be achieved through peaceful co-existence, cooperation and collaboration between the government and different sectors of the society regardless of difference in interests, beliefs and ideology";

**WHEREAS**, as part of ensuring the effective realization of all the related peace efforts and initiatives and campaign against insurgency, the Council deems it proper to express its support to the unified condemnation of the CPP-NPA who were responsible for the violence, threats and intimidation that hinder the peace and development of Palawan;

**WHEREFORE**, in consideration of the foregoing premises and upon motion duly seconded, the Council resolves to **SUPPORT, as it is hereby SUPPORTED** the declaration by the provincial and municipal governments of Palawan of the Communist Party of the Philippines-New People's Army (CPP-NPA) as persona non-grata in the entire province;


**RESOLVED FINALLY**, that copies of this Resolution be furnished the Armed Forces of the Philippines, the Philippine National Police, the Department of the Interior and Local Government, LGU-municipalities, barangays and other concerned agencies and parties for information and guidance;

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** this 24<sup>th</sup> day of October 2019 in Puerto Princesa City, Palawan.

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I hereby certify that the above-quoted resolution has been duly adopted by the PCSD on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of October 2019.

  
**NELSON P. DEVANADERA**  
Secretary

**ATTESTED BY:**

  
**JOSE CH. ALVAREZ**  
Chair, PCSD 