



Republic of the Philippines

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL-NORTHERN MINDANAO

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL-10
Resolution No. 32 (s. 2014)

**CONFIRMING THE CREATION OF A REGIONAL FOOD
SECURITY TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (TWG)**

WHEREAS, during the EDC-X 1st Quarter Meeting on February 13, 2014, the proposed creation of the Regional Food Security Council, in view of the ASEAN Integration by 2015, was tackled upon referral by the Social Development Committee;

WHEREAS, in consonance with the government's thrust on rationalizing the creation of special bodies, the EDC-X agreed to create a Regional Food Security Technical Working Group (TWG) instead of creating a Regional Food Security Council;

WHEREAS, as agreed upon during said meeting, the EDC Secretariat, facilitated a special meeting on April 11, 2014, specifically, to discuss the proposed creation of a Regional Food Security Technical Working Group (TWG);

WHEREAS, the special meeting was participated in by the officials and staff from DA-X, Regional Agricultural and Fishery Council (RAFC), CAFFINORMIN, SDC-PSR Co-Chair, and NEDA-X;

WHEREAS, major concerns were raised during the meeting such as those affecting the farmers:

- high cost in transporting the goods to the market, hence farmers opt to sell their produce to the traders;
- additional cost for every movement of product in the supply chain; and
- uncontrollable trading and pricing manipulations

WHEREAS, based on the above-indicated concerns, strategic interventions were identified which include, among others:

- establishment of a one-stop consolidation center through the local government units (LGUs); and
- trading post should be given priority by the LGUs and by the DTI in coordination with the TWG

WHEREAS, with the concerns raised it was recommended to create the TWG or expand RAFC which will mobilize the accessing of resources from the LGUs and to formulate a master plan to ensure food security in the region;

WHEREAS, the TWG shall look at possible interventions to ensure food security and to protect industry players and stakeholders from industry threats and limitations (e.g. calamities/disasters, ASEAN 2015 integration, etc) in the region;

WHEREAS, the TWG will serve as the overall consolidator of the reports/feedbacks or whatever issues/concerns coming from the LGUs at the regional level and shall provide feedback to the EDC for appropriate action;

WHEREAS, the provincial/city development coordinators shall act as the focal persons at the local level who shall consolidate the reports and concerns coming from their respective

municipalities/barangays and forward the same to the TWG for consolidation and endorsement to EDC;

WHEREAS, the foregoing results and agreements were presented during the 2nd quarter EDC meeting on May 15, 2014 for discussion and for the Committee's approval;

WHEREAS, below is the list of officers and members of the TWG as confirmed by the Committee:

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| Chairperson | : | DA-X Regional Director |
| Co-Chairperson | : | RAFC Chairperson |
| Vice-Chairpersons | : | DTI-X Regional Director SDC-PSR Co-Chair |
| Members | : | Regional Directors of DSWD, DOST, TESDA, NEDA, DILG, NFA, DPWH, BFAR, and DOT NIA Manager CAFFINORMIN President Provincial Governors of Region X IFARMC Chairpersons CMU President As the need arises: DOLE Director, PCA Regional Manager, NNC Coordinator, and FPA Regional Officer |

WHEREAS, the Committee likewise agreed that the DA-X will serve as the TWG Secretariat;

WHEREAS, during the EDC meeting, the DA-X Regional Director clarified the definition of food security as the availability and affordability of food to all citizens in a country, supplied through domestic production or imports;


WHEREAS, after thorough discussion on the merits and significance of creating the Regional Food Security Technical Working Group (TWG), the Economic Development Committee, in its meeting on 15 May 2014, favorably approved the creation of the TWG and recommended the same to the Regional Development Council for its confirmation;

BE IT RESOLVED THEREFORE, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to confirm the creation of the Regional Food Security Technical Working Group;


RESOLVED FINALLY, that copies of this resolution be provided to the above-indicated officials and members of the TWG for their information and appropriate action.

Approved, 22 May 2014
101st RDC-X Full Council Meeting
Grand Caprice Restaurant, Limketkai Center
Cagayan de Oro City

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