

REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS  
SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD  
LUNGSOD NG ORMOC



EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE  
FOURTEENTH SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD NG ORMOC HELD  
AT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD SESSION HALL,  
ORMOC CITY HALL BUILDING  
ON JANUARY 10, 2019

PRESENT:

Vincent L. Rama,	(Acting City Vice-Mayor & Temporary Presiding Officer), SP Member, Majority Floor Leader
Mario M. Rodriguez,	SP Member, Presiding Officer "Pro-Tempore"
Tomas R. Serafica,	SP Member, Asst. Majority Floor Leader
Benjamin S. Pongos, Jr.,	SP Member
Eusebio Gerardo S. Penserga,	SP Member
Gregorio G. Yrastorza III,	SP Member
Nolito M. Quilang,	SP Member
John Eulalio Nepomuceno O. Aparis II,	SP Member
Lea Doris C. Villar,	Minority Floor Leader SP Member, Asst. Minority Floor Leader

ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS:

Esteban V. Laurente,	(Acting City Mayor), Ex-Officio SP Member, Chapter President, Liga ng mga Barangay ng Ormoc
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ON LEAVE:

Leo Carmelo L. Locsin, Jr.	City Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer
Jasper C. Yerro,	Ex-Officio SP Member, Chapter President, Panlungsod Pederasyon ng mga Sangguniang Kabataan ng Ormoc

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-009**

**A RESOLUTION GRANTING AUTHORITY TO THE CITY  
MAYOR RICHARD I. GOMEZ OR THE ACTING CITY  
MAYOR TO UNDERTAKE THE NECESSARY MEASURES  
TOWARDS THE REMOVAL AND/OR IMMEDIATE  
TRANSFER OF THE LEYTE SUB-PROVINCIAL JAIL,  
ORMOC FACILITY TO A TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION  
OUTSIDE OF ORMOC CITY.**

WHEREAS, this Sanggunian received a communication dated January 03, 2019 from the City Mayor Richard I. Gomez respectfully requesting the Sangguniang Panlungsod for the issuance of a Resolution authorizing the City Mayor to take measures towards the removal of the Leyte Sub-Provincial Jail from its Ormoc City facility, including but not limited to sending out demand/notice to vacate and relevant representation(s) by the Ormoc City Government with the Provincial Government of Leyte and other offices/agencies necessary for the transfer from the Ormoc Sub-Provincial jail to a territorial jurisdiction outside of Ormoc City, further requesting that the matter be treated as EXTREMELY URGENT;

WHEREAS, the Leyte Sub-Provincial Jail, Ormoc Facility (Facility) is presently occupying a lot owned by the City of Ormoc, and has been in the same location for some time now;

WHEREAS, the said Facility is situated in an area closely occupied by a number of schools and offices, both public and private, which poses a risk to the lives and properties of those people in nearby and aforementioned establishments in case of a possible jailbreak;



WHEREAS, the condition of the structure is deemed no longer safe and secure as to ensure that jail residents/detainees cannot escape because of overcrowding and the dilapidation of the said structure;

WHEREAS, in addition, the City Peace and Order Council (CPOC) has already identified the same problem as embodied in CPOC Resolution No. 2018-02 entitled, "A RESOLUTION ADDRESSED TO THE HON. LEOPOLDO DOMINICO L. PETILLA, GOVERNOR, PROVINCE OF LEYTE, REQUESTING THE IMMEDIATE TRANSFER OF THE LEYTE SUB-PROVINCIAL JAIL, ORMOC FACILITY OUTSIDE THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF ORMOC CITY", a copy of said Resolution is hereto attached as Annex "A" and made an integral part hereof;

WHEREAS, in a Memorandum issued by then City Director PSSupt. Ramil L. Ramirez dated January 27, 2018, it was found out that there has already been a proliferation of illegal drugs in the said Facility and the said Memorandum concluded that the inmates can easily go in and out of the Facility with the knowledge of the jail guards, posing as a risk to the security of the establishments nearby and within the City, a copy of said Memorandum is hereto attached as Annex "B" and made an integral part hereof;

WHEREAS, for safety and security purposes, this august Body deems it responsible and just to request for the relocation and/or transfer of the Facility as a risk reduction measure;

WHEREAS, this august Body deems it reasonable and just to authorize the City Mayor or the Acting City Mayor to take the appropriate and necessary measures in order to request for the transfer or relocation of the Facility in order to prevent harm to any life or property, most especially by the residents of Ormoc City;

WHEREFORE, on MASS MOTION of the Body; be it


RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to pass a RESOLUTION GRANTING AUTHORITY TO THE CITY MAYOR RICHARD I. GOMEZ OR THE ACTING CITY MAYOR TO UNDERTAKE THE NECESSARY MEASURES TOWARDS THE REMOVAL AND/OR IMMEDIATE TRANSFER OF THE LEYTE SUB-PROVINCIAL JAIL, ORMOC FACILITY TO A TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OUTSIDE OF ORMOC CITY;

ADOPTED, January 10, 2019.

RESOLVED, FINALLY, to furnish copies of this resolution each to the City Mayor of Ormoc Richard I. Gomez, the City Administrator, Mr. Vincent L. Emnas; the City Legal Officer, Atty. Josephine Mejia-Romero; the City Peace and Order Council; the City Director, PNP; the OIC-City Director, DILG; and all other offices concerned for their information and guidance;

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above resolution.

  
MARIA ANTONIETA G. CO HAT  
(OIC - SP Secretary)  
Supervising Administrative Officer

ATTESTED:

  
VINCENT L. RAMA  
(Acting City Vice-Mayor & Temporary Presiding Officer)  
Majority Floor Leader  
SP Member





Republic of the Philippines  
**CITY PEACE AND ORDER COUNCIL**  
Ormoc City

"Annex A"

CPOC RESOLUTION No. 2018-02

**"A RESOLUTION ADDRESSED TO THE HON. LEOPOLDO DOMINICO L. PETILLA, GOVERNOR, PROVINCE OF LEYTE, REQUESTING THE IMMEDIATE TRANSFER OF THE LEYTE SUB-PROVINCIAL JAIL, ORMOC FACILITY OUTSIDE THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF ORMOC CITY."**

**WHEREAS**, the City Peace and Order Council is mandated by law through Executive Order No. 366, to formulate plans and recommend such measures which will improve or enhance peace and order and public safety of its constituents;

**WHEREAS**, the City Peace and Order Council is also mandated to recommend measures to converge and orchestrate internal security operations efforts of civil authorities and agencies, military and police;

**WHEREAS**, the Leyte Sub-Provincial Jail Ormoc facility is occupying a lot owned by the City located in Brgy. Cogon, adjacent to the New Ormoc City Hall, Social Development Center for Children and to a number of educational institutions, both private and public;

**WHEREAS**, the condition of the structure is no longer safe and secure to ensure that jail residents cannot escape because of overcrowding and a dilapidated structure;

**WHEREAS**, Ormoc City Police City Director, P/SSupt. Ramil Ramirez reported to Mayor Richard Gomez and to the members of the August Body that said facility is being used to proliferate illegal drugs in the city based on the casing and surveillance operations conducted which resulted in the arrest of several inmates outside of the facility, being able to freely go in and out of the jail facility;

**WHEREAS**, the said January 29, 2018 report indicates as follows: (a) "arrest was made against Jail Guard BANJAMIN BASILIO REGINO having drinking session with inmates FELIX L. ABORDO, KEN L. TERADO, SONNY C. THOMPSON and REYNALDO N. DAYDAY at ANDOKS Ormoc City on December 19, 2017"; (b) subsequent BUY-BUST Operation conducted last January 22, 2018, which resulted to the arrest of a certain DIONESIO GARCIANO y TARETE, also an inmate of the Leyte Sub-Provincial Jail, Ormoc facility and his cohort a certain CELSO TOMBIGA y SUYAHON, an ex-convict for the crime of highway robbery".

**WHEREAS**, the said facility poses a threat to the current peace and order situation and affects negatively on the "Drug-Cleared" status of the city;

**WHEREAS**, for security purposes, and to prevent damage to life and property that may be suffered by the residents, employees and students in the area;

**NOW THEREFORE**, foregoing premised considered, on motion of City Director - OCPO P/SSupt. Ramil Ramirez, duly seconded by Mr. Emmanuel Sevilla, representative from the Land Transportation Office, be it:

**RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, to pass a RESOLUTION ADDRESSED THE HON. LEOPOLDO DOMINICO L. PETILLA, GOVERNOR, PROVINCE OF LEYTE, REQUESTING THE IMMEDIATE TRANSFER OF THE LEYTE SUB-PROVINCIAL JAIL, ORMOC FACILITY OUTSIDE THE TERRETORIAL JURISDICTION OF ORMOC CITY;

**ADOPTED, February 7, 2018.**

**RESOLVED FINALLY**, to furnish copy of this resolution to Hon. Leopoldo Dominico L. Petilla, Governor, Province of Leyte; the Members of Sangguniang Panlalawigan, Province of Leyte; the Regional Peace and Order Council; the Members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod, Ormoc City; the Hon. Richard I. Gomez, City Mayor of Ormoc; DILG and other concerned offices.

Certified True and Correct:

ENGR. JESUS JEREMY D. BAGARES  
DILG, CLGOO Head, Secretariat

Approved

MAYOR RICHARD I. GOMEZ  
CPOC Chairman  
Presiding Officer

SIGNED:

LEO CARMELO L. LOCSIN JR.  
City Vice Mayor  
Vice-Chair, CPOC

LCDR. FERDINAND MONTEHERMOSO  
Coast Guard Station Western Leyte

HON. GREGORIO S. YRASTORZA III  
SP Committee on Peace and Order

DRA. MA. LOURDES P. LAMPONG  
Representative, CHD

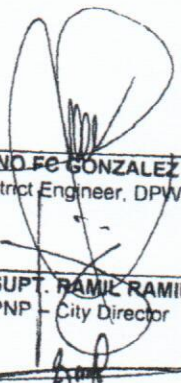
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Representative, DepEd

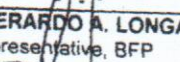
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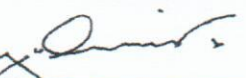
  
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PNP - City Director

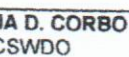
  
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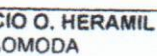
  
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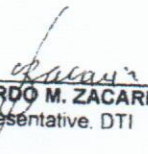
  
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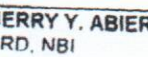
  
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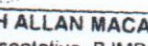
  
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Representative, LTO

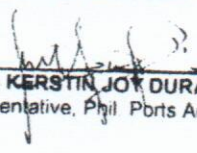
  
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City Prosecutor

  
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ENRD

Annex B =



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NATIONAL POLICE COMMISSION  
PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE  
ORMOC CITY POLICE OFFICE  
Camp Downes, Ormoc City



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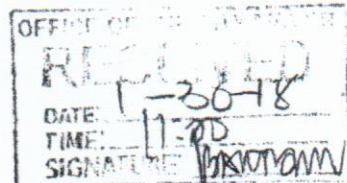
MEMORANDUM

FOR : HON. RICHARD I. GOMEZ  
City Mayor  
Ormoc City

FROM : City Director

SUBJECT : *Proliferation of Illegal drugs in Leyte Sub-Provincial Jail  
Located in Ormoc City*

DATE : January 27, 2018



1. Reference: Spot Report re Arrest for Violation of R.A. 9165 (Buy-Bust Operation) on January 22, 2018.

2. Please be informed that on December 19, 2017, an arrest was made against Jail Guard BANJAMIN BASILIO REGINO, through information received by this office that he was having drinking session with the inmates FELIX L. ABORDO, KEN L. TERADO, SONNY C. THOMPSON and REYNALDO N. DAYDAY, at Andoks, Ormoc City. The said jail guard was arrested and detained for investigation while three inmates were brought back to Leyte Sub-Provincial Jail.

3. That on January 22, 2018, a buy-bust operation was conducted by CDEU personnel of this office after a thorough casing and surveillance which resulted to the arrest of a certain DIONESIO GARCIANO y TARETE, inmate of Leyte Sub-Provincial Jail and his cohort a certain CELSO TOMBIGA y SUYAHON, an ex-convict for the crime of highway robbery.

4. During the conduct of investigation, a certain Sarah Tan, Milao Bao, and Sonny Thompson Cabahug y Asis aka "Tommy" surfaced as the suppliers/peddlers of illegal drugs Leyte Sub-Provincial Jail in connivance with the jail guards and the inmates of said facility.

5. In view of the foregoing, it can therefore be concluded that the inmates of the Leyte Sub-Provincial Jail can easily go in and out of the facility with the knowledge of the Jail Guards and that they are free to transact business and proliferate illegal drugs within and outside the facility which is a threat to the current status of Ormoc City as "Drug-Cleared City".

6. It is strongly recommended that an intervention be instituted against the Leyte Sub-Provincial Jail including the jail guards, inmates, and other personnel manning the said facility to avert the proliferation of drugs in Ormoc City as well as impede the occurrence of crimes in the city.

7. For information.

  
RAMIL L. RAMIREZ  
Police Senior Superintendent

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