

Republic of the Philippines COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS

Intramuros, Manila

IN THE MATTER OF DEPUTIZING THE NATIONAL IRRIGATION ADMINISTRATION FOR THE MAY 12, 2025 NATIONAL AND LOCAL ELECTIONS AND BARMM PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS.

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Promulgated: February 5, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 11106

WHEREAS, Article IX-C, Section 2(4) of the 1987 Constitution empowers the Commission on Elections (Commission) to enforce and administer all laws and regulations relative to the conduct of an election, plebiscite, initiative, referendum, and recall;

WHEREAS, under Section 52 (a) of the Omnibus Election Code (OEC), the Commission shall exercise direct and immediate supervision and control over national and local officials or employees, including members of any national or local law enforcement agency and instrumentality of the government required by law to perform duties relative to the conduct of elections;

WHEREAS, in view of the augmented printing of Official Ballots for the May 12, 2025 National and Local Elections and BARMM Parliamentary Elections (2025 NLE and BPE), there is a need to likewise expedite the verification, packing, and shipping of Official Ballots in time for Election Day;

WHEREAS, the premises of the National Printing Office is not sufficient to accommodate the additional personnel, equipment, supplies, etc. necessary for the augmentation in the verification, packing, and shipping of Official Ballots;

WHEREAS, the National Irrigation Administration (NIA) has the capacity to house the operations for the verification, packing, and shipping of Official Ballots;

WHEREAS, there is a need to deputize NIA to ensure the proper, satisfactory, and timely completion of the verification, packing, and shipping of Official Ballots for the 2025 NLE and BPE;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Commission, pursuant to the powers vested in it by the Constitution, the OEC, and other election laws, has RESOLVED, as it hereby RESOLVES, to deputize the NIA in connection with the May 12, 2025 NLE and BPE.

Section 1. Duties and Functions of NIA as Deputy. - The NIA is hereby deputized to perform the following duties and functions:

- Provide the space requirements for the verification, packing, and shipping of Official Ballots, including but not limited to well-lit and ventilated working areas, safe and secure storage, office space, and adequate parking;
- 2. Allow the use of its facilities for the 24-hour, seven days a week operation of the Commission;
- 3. Allow the entry of personnel, equipment, supplies, and other requirements provided by the Commission for the verification, packing, and shipping of Official Ballots;
- Make available and provide vehicles and designated drivers to assist the Commission in the transportation of equipment, supplies, election paraphernalia, as well as in the deployment of Official Ballots;
- Provide administrative support services for the disposal of waste materials and for the maintenance of cleanliness of the premises;
- Coordinate with the Commission, and its providers, if necessary, to ensure the proper, satisfactory and timely completion of the verification, packing, and shipping of the Official Ballots;
- 7. Coordinate with the Commission and law enforcement agencies for the security of the NIA premises;
- 8. Comply with the data privacy policies of the Commission with regard to confidential information and personal data received;
- 9. Submit reports, as may be required by the Commission; and
- 10. Perform such other functions and duties as the Commission may deem necessary for the conduct of the 2025 NLE and BPE.

Section 2. Exclusive Use by the Commission. - In view of the sensitive nature of the Official Ballots, the areas occupied by the Commission shall be for its exclusive use and subject to its security protocols.

Section 3. Control and Supervision by the Commission. - The verification, packing and shipping of Official Ballots shall be under the direct control and supervision of the Commission.

Section 4. Effectivity. - This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon publication.

Section 5. Publication and Dissemination. - The Education and Information Department shall cause the publication of this Resolution, and shall furnish copies thereof to the Office of the President and NIA.

SO ORDERED.

GEORGE ERWIN M. GARCIA Chairman

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MEEP. FEROLING
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CERTIFICATION

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