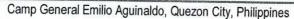


REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

NATIONAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT COUNCIL





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ALL NDRRMC AND RDRRMC MEMBER AGENCIES

SUBJECT

INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF THE NATIONAL AND REGIONAL

DRRMC INTER-AGENCY COORDINATING CELL (IACC)

In order to advance the delivery of emergency relief/assistance, information management, and coordinated response, the NDRRMC and RDRRMCs are hereby directed to adopt and operationalize the Inter-Agency Coordinating Cell (IACC).

The IACC is a multi-agency platform that advocates immediate coordination and informed decision-making among all government agencies engaged in disaster preparedness, response, and early recovery. It is activated in anticipation of likely threats or those that are ensuing that need multi-agency coordination and unified decisions.

The National IACC shall be chaired by the Chairperson, NDRRMC, while the Regional IACC shall be chaired by the OCD Regional Director. All relevant activities within the platform shall be facilitated by the Office of Civil Defense. In this regard, all NDRRMC and RDRRMC member agencies are encouraged to convene in person at the NDRRMC/RDRRMC Emergency Operations Center as the situation warrants.

The main functions of the IACC are as follows:

 Provide a common operational/situational picture for all government agencies and disaster response organizations that shall be the basis for preparedness and response planning;

2. Serve as a venue for collaborative disaster risk assessment and planning;

3. Facilitate information management between and among different offices for prompt and informed decision-making; and

 Continuously monitor and assess real-time situation updates that shall form the basis for timely warnings to communities, Local Government Units, and the General Public.

This Memorandum complements existing National and Regional DRRMC concepts and protocols and does not, in any way, revoke or repeal any issuances made prior to the institutionalization of the IACC.

I invite member agencies to lend their fullest cooperation and support because this mechanism for collective action has proven to be very effective.

Chairperson, NORRMC and

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Secretary, Department of National Defense