

November 27, 2019

Honorable ANSARUDDIN ABDUL MALIK A. ADIONG
Chairperson
Sub-Committee on Marawi Rehabilitation
House of Representatives
Quezon City

Dear Chairperson Adiong:

The Department of Social Welfare and Development **supports House Bill No. 3418** entitled: "Marawi Siege Compensation Act", authored by the Chairperson; **House Bill No. 3543** entitled: "Marawi Siege Victims Compensation Act of 2019", authored by Reps. Mujiv S. Hataman and Amihilda J. Sangcopan, respectively; and **House Bill No. 8922** entitled: "Marawi Siege Victims Reparation Act of 2018", authored by Rep. Yasser Alonto Balindong.

To contribute to the bills' enhancement, we are recommending the following:

1. To consolidate the three (3) bills into one.

2. **House Bill No. 3418**

2.1 On the Definition of Terms. Change Section 2 to Section 3 for Definition of Terms and so on and so forth. Please clarify the phrase "**parts or units solely places**" on item b, line 2;

2.2 On Section 6. Entitlement to Monetary Reparation. Please clarify what the phrase "**other properties**" refers to since the rest of the provisions only make reference to residential houses or commercial buildings and to cover "**other properties**" covered for compensation;

2.3 On Section 8. Powers and Functions. Add "Conduct regular monitoring and evaluation of physical and financial accomplishments," and

2.4 On Section 14, Determination of Monetary Compensation. Clarify what will be the acceptable and valid proof of ownership and value of jewelries, vehicles and machineries.

3. **House Bill No. 3543**

Revise the definition of "**lawful owner**" to be consistent with Section 3, letter b on the definition of "covered property" reflect that real properties are not the only "covered property" by the proposed measure. It should cover those who have built their structures without a building permit, owners of home

appliances, jewelries, vehicles, machineries, and other equipment of value damaged or lost as a result of the siege.

4. House Bill No. 3922

Revise the definition of "claimants" to reflect other properties that are covered for compensation.

5. Other Comments

5.1 Suggests that in the absence of title, residents may present documents such as tax payments and other papers from their respective barangays;

5.2 Adopt stringent measures to ensure rightful owners will benefit from this law; and

5.3 In view of the enactment of the Bangsamoro Organic Law, provide collaboration mechanism with regard to the eventual turnover of program to the regional agency.

For the Committee's consideration.

Very truly yours,



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Secretary

Date: DECEMBER 16, 2019