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**SECRETARY ROLANDO JOSELITO D. BAUTISTA**

Department of Social Welfare and Development  
3/F DSWD Central Office, Batasan Complex  
Constitution Hills, Quezon City

Dear Secretary Bautista:

On 29 January 2019, the Senate and the House of Representatives approved Senate Bill No. 2159 and House Bill No. 8837 respectively, which seeks to create the National Commission of Senior Citizens thereby abolishing the National Coordinating Council and Monitoring Board. Both bills are almost identical, and with the resumption of Session on 20 May 2019, it is expected that an enrolled bill for the approval of the President shall be subsequently submitted.

However, while the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) supports the measure, the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) is constrained from favorably recommending its enactment. With this, the Presidential Legislative Liaison Office deems it necessary to sponsor a Round Table Discussion between concerned executive agencies to thresh out issues, with the objective of arriving at a common stand prior to the submission of agency position papers to the Office of the Deputy Executive Secretary for Legal Affairs (ODESLA), Office of the President at the proper time.

May we therefore invite you or you agency representative to this RTD to be held on 16 May 2019 at the Philippine International Convention Center. Registration will start at 8:30 AM and Program Proper starts at about 9:00 AM.

May we also request the confirmation of your attendees no later than 9 May 2019 through Ms. Irene Afortunado, PLLO Cluster Coordinator at the House of Representatives at 952-2189 or 0927-273-1376; or Mr. Junie Munsayac, Focal Person, PLLO Committee on Senior Citizens and Persons with Disability at 552-7027 or 0928-686-5835.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and support.

Sincerely,

GERARD A. SALAPANTAN  
Undersecretary