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REGION I



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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

No. 246 s. 2026

**REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL – 1 (RDC-1) RESOLUTIONS
PASSED DURING THE FOURTH QUARTER RDC-1 FULL COUNCIL
MEETING CY 2025**

To: Assistant Regional Director
Chiefs of Functional Divisions (FDs)
Heads of Units/Sections

1. This is to furnish your Office copies of the Regional Development Council – 1 (RDC-1) Resolutions which were passed during the First Quarter RDC-1 Full Council Meeting CY 2026 held on March 30, 2026 at the Vista la Vita, City of San Fernando, La Union, as follows:

- a. **RDC-1 Resolution No. 38, s. 2026.** “Approving the Updated Investment Promotions Guide of Region 1” and,
 - b. **RDC-1 Resolution No. 42, s. 2026.** “Approving the Special Non-Voting Membership of the Office of the Presidential Adviser on Peace, Reconciliation, and Unity (OPAPRU) and the National Intelligence Coordinating Agency (NICA) – Regional Office I in the Regional Development Council-1 (RDC-1)”.
2. For information and guidance.

For the Regional Director:


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Attorney IV

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June 3, 2026



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REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL – ILOCOS REGION

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 1st QUARTER REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL-1 (RDC-1) FULL COUNCIL MEETING FOR CY 2026 HELD ON MARCH 30, 2026 AT THE VISTA LA VITA, SAN FERNANDO CITY, LA UNION

RDC-1 Full Council Resolution No. 38, series of 2026

APPROVING THE UPDATED INVESTMENT PROMOTIONS GUIDE OF REGION 1

WHEREAS, the 1987 Philippine Constitution declares it a policy of the State to promote social justice in all phases of national development, ensure a sustained increase in the amount of goods and services produced by the nation, and recognize the vital role of the private sector as a key partner in economic growth and development;

WHEREAS, Republic Act 12145, provides the legal and institutional framework for regional development planning and designates the Regional Development Councils (RDCs) as the highest policy-making bodies in the regions, mandated to coordinate, integrate, and set the overall direction of regional development efforts;

WHEREAS, the Regional Development Plan (RDP) 2023–2028 Midterm Update of Region 1, is anchored on the region's REACH Vision of a Resilient, All-Inclusive, Competitive, and Healthy Region 1, consistent with AmBisyon Natin 2040 recognizes Chapter 11 (Trade and Investments) thereof the importance of expanding trade, promoting investment, upgrading industries, fostering innovation, strengthening investment facilitation, improving investor information and aftercare services, and promoting priority industries and growth areas to enhance the competitiveness of Region 1, accelerate regional economic development, improve productivity and generate quality employment across the region;

WHEREAS, in line with the strategies and policy directions articulated in Chapter 11 on Trade and Investments, the Investment Promotions Technical Working Group (IPTWG), led by the Department of Trade and Industry-Region 1 (DTI-1), has developed an Investment Promotions Guide to serve as a comprehensive, coherent, and investor-friendly reference on Region 1's priority investment areas, competitive advantages, enabling policies, institutional support mechanisms, and strategic development directions;

WHEREAS, the region's last Investment Guide was published in 2021, and due to changes in the post-pandemic economy there is a need to endorse the updated Investment Promotions Guide as official investment promotion material of Region 1 and to share it with investors, development partners, national government agencies, and local government units;

WHEREAS, after careful review and evaluation, the Economic Development Committee-1 (EconDevComm-1) endorsed through EconDevComm-1 Resolution No. 5, series of 2026 to the Regional Development Council-1 (RDC-1) the Investment Promotions Guide for approval;



WHEREAS, the RDC-1 finds the Investment Promotion Guide as aligned with its mandate under Section 4(c) of Executive Order No. 82, s. 2025, to promote and oversee the inflow and allocation of private investments in the region to support regional development objectives, policies and strategies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to approve the updated Investment Promotions Guide of Region 1;

RESOLVED FURTHER, to declare the said updated Investment Promotions Guide as an official investment promotion reference and advocacy material of the region to be utilized by national government agencies (NGAs), local government units, (LGUs) investment promotion offices, government-owned and controlled corporations (GOCCs), and other partner institutions in promoting Region 1, a resilient, inclusive, competitive, and healthy investment destination;

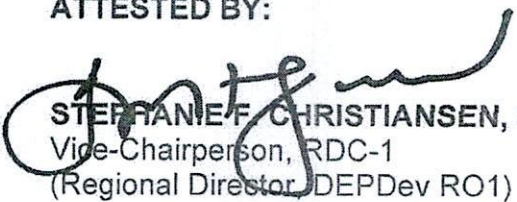
RESOLVED, FINALLY, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to RDC-1 members, Region 1 RGAs, LGUs and GOCCs;

APPROVED, this 30th day of March 2026 at the Vista La Vita, San Fernando City, La Union.

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:


RACQUEL T. ATAWE
Acting Secretary, RDC-1
(OIC-Assistant Regional Director, DEPDDev RO1)

ATTESTED BY:


STEPHANIE F. CHRISTIANSEN, CESO III
Vice-Chairperson, RDC-1
(Regional Director, DEPDDev RO1)

CONCURRED BY:


MARIO EDUARDO C. ORTEGA, MDA
Chairperson, RDC-1
(Governor, Province of La Union)

RDC-1 Full Council Resolution No. 38, series of 2026

APPROVING THE UPDATED INVESTMENT PROMOTIONS GUIDE OF REGION 1



REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL – ILOCOS REGION

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RDC-1 Full Council Resolution No. 42, series of 2026

APPROVING THE SPECIAL NON-VOTING MEMBERSHIP OF THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENTIAL ADVISER ON PEACE, RECONCILIATION, AND UNITY (OPAPRU) AND NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE COORDINATING AGENCY (NICA) – REGIONAL OFFICE 1 IN THE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL-1 (RDC-1)

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 82, s. 2025 stipulates that the Regional Development Council-1 (RDC-1) is the highest policy-making and coordinating body for socioeconomic development in Region 1, composed of regional government agencies, local government units, and representatives from the private sector and civil society organizations;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of the Implementing Guidelines of said EO, authorizes Regional Development Councils (RDCs) to designate Special Non-Voting Members (SNVMs) from the public and private sectors, subject to the concurrence of the majority of the regular members, while Part VI, Section I of the RDC-1 Operations Manual provides that such nomination shall be endorsed through the appropriate RDC Sectoral Committee, *provided that such number shall not exceed ten percent (10%) of the total regular RDC membership*;

WHEREAS, the National Intelligence Coordinating Agency Regional Office 1 (NICA RO1) and the Office of the Presidential Adviser on Peace, Reconciliation and Unity (OPAPRU), both members of Development Administration Committee 1 (DevAd 1), have requested endorsement as SNVMs to RDC 1;

WHEREAS, NICA RO1, as the government's intelligence arm in the region, provides intelligence-based inputs that support national security, public safety and strategic decision-making, thereby strengthening the Council's capacity to address emerging security risks, regional stability concerns, and other development issues affecting the implementation of programs, projects, and policies in Region 1;

WHEREAS, OPAPRU is mandated to advance peacebuilding, reconciliation, and unity efforts and, in Region 1, plays a critical role in stakeholder engagement, conflict resolution, and the alignment of regional development strategies with the national peace and security framework, thereby contributing to the maintenance of a state of stable internal peace and reinforcing the integration of peace-sensitive and conflict-responsive approaches into regional development planning and implementation;

WHEREAS, the RDC-1 recognizes that the mandates, technical expertise and operational roles of the NICA RO1 and the OPAPRU are vital to the RDC 1, particularly in strengthening the integration of intelligence support, peacebuilding, conflict transformation, and security-informed policy perspectives into regional development planning and decision-making processes;

WHEREAS, upon careful review of their requests, the Development Administration (DevAd) Sectoral Committee, through Resolution No. 3, s. 2026, endorsed the National Intelligence Coordinating Agency Regional Office 1 (NICA RO1) and the Office of the Presidential Adviser on Peace, Reconciliation and Unity (OPAPRU) as special non-voting members of RDC I;

WHEREAS, the inclusion of the NICA RO1 and the OPAPRU as Special Non-Voting Members remains within the allowable ten percent (10%) threshold of the total regular RDC-1 membership, and is therefore consistent with the provisions of EO 82 and its Implementing Guidelines;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to approve the Special Non-Voting Membership of the Office of the Presidential Adviser on Peace, Reconciliation and Unity (OPAPRU) and National Intelligence Coordinating Agency Regional Office 1 (NICA RO1) in the Regional Development Council-1 (RDC-1);

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the NICA RO 1 and OPAPRU shall actively participate in RDC-1 meetings and concerned sectoral committees and designate focal persons to coordinate with the RDC and Sectoral Committee Secretariats;

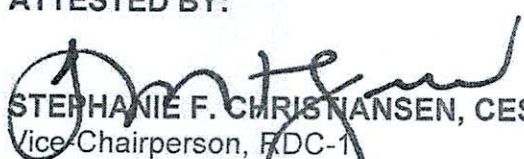
RESOLVED FINALLY, to furnish copies of this resolution to all RDC-1 members, the concerned Sectoral Committees, NICA RO 1 and OPAPRU for their information and appropriate action;

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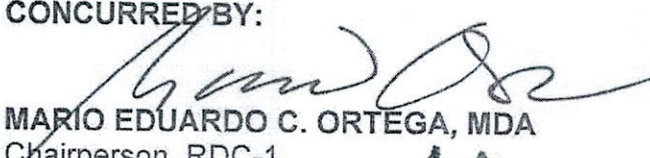
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