

Republic of the Philippines

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

NATIONAL COMMISSION ON MUSLIM FILIPINOS

NOTICE

RESOLUTION NO. 1 series of 2021

Due to the current alternative work arrangements of the National Commission on Muslim Filipinos, this Notice is being issued to certify that such a resolution was adopted by the Commission en banc in its regular en banc meeting held last June 10, 2021. A Resolution in compliance with the Internal Rules and Regulations of the Commission en banc shall be issued as soon as it becomes feasible.

ADOPTING THE POSITION PAPER ON HOUSE BILLS NO. 1486, 3899, 5670, and 7922 OR THE PROPOSED BILLS ON CHILD MARRIAGES

WHEREAS, the Declaration of Policy of Republic Act 9997 is to "preserve and develop the culture, tradition, institutions, and well-being of Muslim Filipinos, in conformity with the country's laws and in consonance with national unity and development."

WHEREAS, there have been active consultations and sharing of policy inputs in the Commission en banc meetings as to the policy implications of the proposed house bills on child and early marriages and the "Girls Not Brides Bill" in the Senate.

WHEREAS, through a series of Commission en banc meetings the inputs from Commissioners, Directors and resource persons have been collected and refined into a position paper outlining the views of this Commission on the proposed house bills and the Senate bill.

WHEREFORE, in view of the foregoing considerations, upon motion made, duly seconded and without any objections, the Commission en banc RESOLVES, as it hereby resolved, to adopt the attached position paper signed by the Honorable Secretary as this Commission's official stand on the proposed House Bills and the Girls not Brides Bill that passed in the Senate.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that this position paper shall be filed in the appropriate Committees in the House of Representatives and the Senate.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

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ABUBAKAR M. MANGELEN DALISAY N. MACADAWAN

Attested by:

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