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INTRODUCTION

As the Philippines continued to face socioeconomic challenges due to the COVID 19 pandemic in 2021, the Executive and the Legislative worked together to fast track the passage of critical measures that will support the country's economic recovery and stability.

In the fulfillment of its mandate, the Legislative-Executive Development Advisory Council (LEDAC) facilitated constant collaboration between the Executive and the Legislative, and implemented strategic interventions to ensure the enactment of the LEDAC-Common Legislative Agenda (LEDAC-CLA).

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ACTIVITIES OF THE LEDAC IN 2021

The LEDAC Executive Committee (LEDAC-ExCom) and the LEDAC Technical Working Group (LEDAC-TWG) conducted meetings for consultation and consensus building in order to address the bottlenecks in the passage of priority measures.

Table 1. Summary of LEDAC-ExCom meetings

18 February 2021	26 May 2021	27 August 2021
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Discussed the proposed measures in the harmonized list of the LEDAC-CLA for the 18th Congress. 2. Approved and adopted the list of the LEDAC-CLA consisting of 27 bills, and agreed to add three other measures. 3. Identified the top 12 priority bills targeted for passage before the end of the 2nd Regular Session in June 2021. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Discussed the status of the priority bills in the approved LEDAC-CLA. 2. Agreed to add the bill Creating the Virology Science and Technology Institute of the Philippines in the LEDAC-CLA. 3. Agreed to have the LEDAC Secretariat and the Presidential Legislative Liaison Office (PLLO) draft a timeline for the passage of the priority bills by December 2021. 4. Agreed to convene a small group meeting with selected members of the Executive and Senate to discuss the list of priority bills and the proposed timeline for enactment. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Agreed to pursue the passage of the top 11 priority bills, with the addition of the Unified System of Separation Retirement and Pension of Military and Uniformed Personnel bill, by December 2021.

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Table 2. Summary of LEDAC-TWG meetings

2 February 2021	22 April 2021	6 May 2021	27 May 2021
<p>Conducted the second stage of the prioritization process to identify the top priority measures for passage before the end of the second regular session of the 18th Congress and those that will be pursued for passage by the end of December 2021, using the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) High level of urgency b) High priority of the administration c) Ease of passage 	<p>Discussed the possible actions and interventions to address gridlocks in the passage of the priority bills.</p>	<p>Finalized materials and other significant updates in preparation for the conduct of the LEDAC-ExCom meeting.</p>	<p>Discussed and identified the bills with highest priority, and prepared a legislative timeline for passage of measures based on the remaining session days of Congress.</p>

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The NEDA-LEDAC Secretariat also conducted the following meetings in preparation for the conduct of the LEDAC-ExCom and LEDAC-TWG meetings:

Table 3. Summary of NEDA-LEDAC Secretariat meetings

17 February 2021	16 April 2021	28 May 2021
Briefed the Office of the Deputy Executive Secretary for Legal Affairs (ODESLA) on the formulation and prioritization of the LEDAC-CLA and the expectations from the Executive Secretary as Chair of the LEDAC-ExCom.	Prepared for the conduct of the LEDAC-TWG meeting and discussed action plans to address possible gridlocks in the passage of the priority bills in the LEDAC-CLA. The discussion focused on the impact of the bills, if passed into law, based on studies done by the Philippine Institute for Development Studies.	Selected Cabinet members and Senators discussed the reprioritized list of bills and the possible interventions on the identified gridlocks to ensure that the bills will be passed. The proposed legislative timeline was also presented.

ACTIVITIES OF THE LEDAC SECRETARIAT IN 2021

In line with its mandate, the LEDAC Secretariat provided technical and administrative support to LEDAC and its subcommittees. The following activities were conducted in 2021:

1. Active monitoring of committee hearings and plenary session conducted in both houses of Congress as well as close coordination with the Office of the Senate President and House Speaker, PLLO, ODESLA and other agencies to track the progress of the bills in the LEDAC-CLA;

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2. Convening of the LEDAC-ExCom on 18 February, 26 May and 27 August 2021;
3. Convening of the LEDAC-TWG on 2 February, 22 April, 6 May, 27 May, 24 June and 1 July 2021;
4. Conduct of the 17 February and 16 April preparatory meetings, and the 28 May 2021 special LEDAC meeting;
5. Submission of the following reports:
 - a. Summary of agreements and action points for the meetings conducted;
 - b. Matrices on the following topics:
 - i. Status updates of the priority measures in the LEDAC-CLA with identified issues and concerns
 - ii. List of other bills referred to the LEDAC
 - iii. Legislative timelines on the LEDAC-CLA
 - c. Agenda briefs on the following topics:
 - i. Virology Science and Technology Institute of the Philippines
 - ii. Open Access in Data Transmission bill
 - iii. Bank Deposits Secrecy bill
 - iv. Electric Vehicles Act
 - v. Financial Consumer Protection bill
 - vi. E-Governance Act
 - vii. Free Legal Assistance to the Armed Forces of the Philippines and Philippine National Police officers and uniformed personnel
 - viii. Mandatory establishment of evacuation centers in every city, province, and municipality throughout the country
 - ix. Focus group discussion on unfunded laws
 - d. LEDAC Legacy book

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LEDAC-COMMON LEGISLATIVE AGENDA FOR THE 18TH CONGRESS

The LEDAC, through its ExCom, approved a reprioritized list of the LEDAC-CLA for the remainder of the 18th Congress.

Table 4. LEDAC-CLA for the 18th Congress as of 31 December 2021

Enacted	
1.	General Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Republic Act No. 11518)
2.	Amendments to the Anti-Money Laundering Act (Republic Act No. 11521)
3.	Financial Institutions Strategic Transfer Act (Republic Act No. 11523)
4.	Coconut Farmers' and Industry Trust Fund Act (Republic Act No. 11524)
5.	Corporate Recovery and Tax Incentives for Enterprises or CREATE Act (Republic Act No. 11534)
6.	Bureau of Fire Protection Modernization (Republic Act No. 11589)
7.	Taxing Philippine Offshore Gaming Operations (Republic Act No. 11590)
8.	Amendments to the Retail Trade Liberalization Act (Republic Act No. 11595)
9.	Department of Migrant Workers Act (Republic Act No. 11641)
Top priority bills	
1.	Unified System of Separation, Retirement and Pension of the Military and Uniformed Personnel
2.	Amendments to the Foreign Investments Act
3.	Amendments to the Public Service Act
4.	Rural Agricultural and Fisheries Development Financing System Act
5.	Virology Science and Technology Institute of the Philippines Act
6.	Passive Income and Financial Intermediary Taxation Act
7.	Real Property Valuation Reform Act
8.	Government Financial Institutions Unified Initiatives to Distressed Enterprises for Economic Recovery Act
Remaining bills	
1.	Expanded Solo Parents Welfare Act
2.	Internet Transactions Act

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3.	Creation of a Disease Prevention and Control Authority
4.	Bureau of Immigration Modernization Act
5.	Magna Carta of Barangay Health Workers
6.	Boracay Island Development Authority
7.	Medical Reserve Corps Act
8.	Imposing Amusement Tax on Digital Platform and Offshore Betting Stations of Licensed Cockpits
9.	Department of Disaster Resilience
10.	Strengthening Local Government Participation in National Development by Increasing the Share of Local Government Units in the National Internal Revenue Taxes
11.	National Land Use Act
12.	National Housing Development Act
13.	Amendments to the Continuing Professional Development Act
14.	Reviving the Death Penalty by Lethal Injection for Crimes specified under the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act

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THRUSTS FOR 2022

The LEDAC is committed to continue to push for the passage of the bills in the LEDAC-CLA by the end of the 18th Congress.

The LEDAC also aims to formulate a set of LEDAC-CLA under the new administration that would help support economic recovery and growth. The LEDAC Secretariat envisions to achieve this by:

1. Continuing the active monitoring of the progress of legislative measures in the LEDAC-CLA for the 18th Congress in both houses;
2. Immediately reconstituting the LEDAC membership at the start of the new administration; and,
3. Institutionalizing the LEDAC working structure to help strengthen the capacity of the LEDAC and its subcommittees.

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ANNEX A: COMPOSITION OF THE LEDAC



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Chairman

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Franklin M. Drilon
Senate Minority Leader



Lord Allan Jay Velasco
Speaker of the House



Salvador C. Leachon
Senior Deputy House Speaker

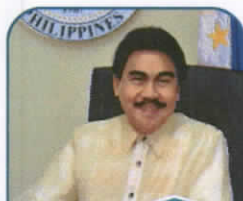


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