



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

DANGEROUS DRUGS BOARD

BOARD REGULATION NO. 3 SERIES OF 2023

SUBJECT: AMENDING BOARD REGULATION NO. 3, SERIES OF 2018, SPECIFICALLY CONVERTING THE COMMITTEE ON RECLASSIFICATION, ADDITION OR REMOVAL OF ANY DRUGS/SUBSTANCES FROM THE LIST OF DANGEROUS DRUGS/CONTROLLED PRECURSORS TO A TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (TWG)

WHEREAS, Section 77 of Republic Act No. 9165, or the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002 (the "Act"), as amended, provides that the Dangerous Drugs Board (the "Board") shall be the policy making and strategy formulating body in the planning and formulation of policies and programs on drug prevention and control;

WHEREAS, Section 81(b) of the Act vests upon the Board the power to promulgate rules as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of the law;

WHEREAS, Section 93 of the Act provides that the Board shall have the power to reclassify, add to or remove any drugs and substances from the list of dangerous drugs and conduct necessary proceedings thereof;

WHEREAS, the Board issued Resolution No. 22, Series of 2003, Activating the Technical Working Group on the Reclassification, Addition or Removal of Any Drug From the List of Dangerous Drugs, but was later superseded by Regulation No. 3, Series of 2018, which amended Section 3(2) of Regulation No. 1, Series of 2014, Creating the Committee on Reclassification, Addition or Removal of Any Drug / Substance from the List of Dangerous Drugs / Controlled Precursors and Essential Chemicals;

WHEREAS, the current composition of the Committee on Reclassification, Addition or Removal of Any Drug / Substance from the List of Dangerous Drugs / Controlled Precursors and Essential Chemicals are:

- Two (2) Permanent Members of the Board
- NGO Representative
- Department of Justice Representative
- Food and Drug Administration Representative
- Department of Health-Pharmaceutical Division Representative
- UP-PGH National Poison Management and Control Center Representative
- Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency Representative
- National Bureau of Investigation Representative
- PNP Crime Laboratory Representative.

One (1) Permanent Member shall act as Chairperson and preside over the meetings while the Executive Director shall act as the Head Secretariat of the Committee;

WHEREAS, the intention of convening the committee is to hold consultative meetings with experts on the field of Drug Analysis, Profiling, and Chemistry Studies with the intention of providing evidence-based and scientific-driven recommendation in aid of policy.

WHEREAS, there is a limitation in terms of the composition of a Standing Committee as it requires membership among the Permanent and Alternate Members of the Board.

WHEREAS, specialists and professionals in the field of drug analysis and profiling can form part of the Technical Working Group to discuss technical matters.

WHEREFORE, be it **RESOLVED**, as it is hereby **RESOLVED** to amend Board Regulation No. 03, Series of 2018, to read as follows:

“1. That Section 3(2) of Regulation No.1, Series of 2014 be amended and shall now read as follows:

The Board shall be assisted by the Technical Working Group on Reclassification, Addition, or Removal (TWG-RAR) of any Drug/Substance from the List of Dangerous Drugs/Controlled Precursors and Essential Chemicals chaired by the DDB Executive Director with representatives from the following agencies or institutions as its members: [1] Department of Health (DOH) – Pharmaceutical Division / National Drug Policy; [2] Food and Drug Administration (FDA); [3] University of the Philippines – Philippine General Hospital National Poison Management and Control Center (UP-PGH-NPMC); [4] Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency – Laboratory Service (PDEA-LS); [5] Philippine National Police – Forensic Group (PNP-FG); [6] National Bureau of Investigation – Forensics Laboratory (NBI-FL).

The Legal Affairs Division shall act as the Head Secretariat.

The TWG-RAR shall gather and collate all data relative to the drugs and chemicals under review and consideration and submit a report of its findings and recommendations directly to the Board.

It shall have the authority to conduct public hearings as provided for under Section 3(1)(b) of Board Regulation No. 1, Series of 2014, and may invite, as deemed necessary, experts and professionals who shall provide recommendations during consultative meetings of the TWG-RAR.

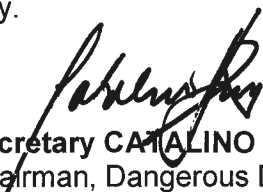
Meetings of the TWG-RAR shall be presided over by the DDB Executive Director or his/her duly authorized representative. The quorum of TWG-RAR meetings shall be determined based on a simple majority of members.

2. If any section of this Regulation is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

3. All regulations and other issuances inconsistent herewith are hereby superseded, amended, or modified accordingly.

EFFECTIVITY – This Regulation shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation and registration with the Office of the National Administrative Register (ONAR), UP Law Center, Diliman, Quezon City.

APPROVED and **ADOPTED** this 8th day of May, in the year of Our Lord, 2023 in Quezon City.


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Attested by:


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