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RESOLUTION NO. 05 Series of 2023

RESOLUTION FOR THE CREATION OF THE RESEARCH AND KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE UNDER THE REGIONAL STATISTICS COMMITTEE IN THE BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO

WHEREAS, Section 2 of the Bangsamoro Autonomy Act No. 6 (BAA No. 6), also known as the "Bangsamoro Socio-Economic Development Planning Act of 2019," emphasizes the importance of pursuing social, economic, and political development in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) through effective planning, coordination, monitoring, and evaluation of plans, policies, programs, and projects;

WHEREAS, the Regional Statistics Committee (RSCom), one of the three Special Committees created to assist the Bangsamoro Economic and Development Council, is responsible for conducting periodic assessments of the quality of data generated by government agencies and local government units (LGUs) in BARMM. It also aims to enhance the data system through statistical task forces, technical working groups, and the identification and recommendation of LGU data to arrive at regional and national figures;

WHEREAS, the Bangsamoro Planning and Development Authority (BPDA), as the Chair of RSCom, is the socio-economic development and policy coordinating authority of the Bangsamoro Government. It is responsible for research, statistics administration, knowledge product development, information management, and related activities to support planning, policy formulation, project development, and monitoring and evaluation;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Statistics Authority-BARMM, serving as the Vice-Chair of RSCom, is primarily responsible for regional censuses and surveys, sectoral statistics, community-based statistics, consolidation of selected administrative recording systems, and compilation of regional accounts. It also has the mandate to plan, develop, prescribe, disseminate, enforce policies, rules and regulations, and coordinate government-wide programs governing the production of official statistics, general-purpose statistics, civil registration services, and an inclusive identification system:

WHEREAS, 19 member-agencies of RSCom are rich sources of administrative data to estimate BARMM's economic performance annually, and 16 of these agencies have mandates on Research and Development;

WHEREAS, there is currently no centralized repository platform for research and knowledge management in BARMM;

WHEREAS, during the 3rd RSCom Regular Meeting for the calendar year (CY) 2022 held on September 23, 2022, the Bangsamoro Planning and Development Authority (BPDA) proposed the creation of a sub-committee on Research and Knowledge Management. The importance of coordinating with the Bangsamoro Research and Development Council (BRDC) was emphasized to avoid duplication of functions;

WHEREAS, on January 18, 2023, a meeting between BPDA and BRDC focal persons from the Ministry of Science and Technology took place to discuss the proposal and reiterate the importance of preventing duplicity of functions;

WHEREAS, in the 1st RSCom Regular Meeting held in February 2023, the technical secretariat presented the following proposed functions for the RSCom Sub-Committee on Research and Knowledge Management:

- a. Serve as a platform for discussing socio-economic policy-oriented research and development issues and concerns aligned with the Bangsamoro Development Plan;
- b. Establish a data sharing platform for policy-oriented socio-economic research and development knowledge products in the region;
- c. Organize a research forum in the region to promote the monitoring, sharing, and dissemination of policy-oriented studies, in coordination with the Bangsamoro Research and Development Council;
- d. Establish a repository for socio-economic information, ecological profiles, and research knowledge products of BARMM;

WHEREAS, the committee members were provided with an online platform to review the proposed functions and provide their feedback;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the committee has approved the creation of a sub-committee on Research and Knowledge Management.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the concerned ministries, offices, and agencies for their information and/or appropriate action.

UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED.

This resolution is approved by the Regional Statistics Committee on the <u>15th</u> day of June, 2023 in Cotabato City.

I HEREBY CERTIFY the correctness of this resolution.

ENGR. MOHAJRIN T. ALI, MNSA Bangsamoro Director Scheral, BEDA-BARMM and Chairperson and Head of Secretariat, RSCom

Attested by:

OIC-Regional Director, PSA BARMM and Co-Chairperson, RSCom