



March 25, 2022

The Honorable Chairman and Commissioners
Commission on Elections (COMELEC) Manila

Dear Honorable Commissioners:

We thank you for your recent assurance that maximum transparency will be followed in the entire election process. We appreciate that the COMELEC has set up the livestreaming of the ballot printing, in addition to observation areas for various stakeholders for certain key activities.

To support you further, and consistent with the message of the business community in our letter to the COMELEC last January 19, 2022 (enclosed, signed by 23 business and advocacy groups), we would like to partner with the COMELEC by offering to help educate the public on the entire process. With your permission, we will be pleased to work with you and other NGOs to help disseminate non-partisan, short and simple instructional videos and/or other materials, that can help poll watchers and voters alike on the activities involved until the final election tally. At the same time, we have been working with PPCRV and others in recruiting poll watchers who will assist in ensuring the smooth flow and outcome of this vital exercise.

We look forward to collaborating further with you on this matter, and we will appreciate if you could designate an office or a person we can work with, in helping enlighten better the general public and our voters, especially first-time voters.

We also respectfully reiterate our request in the said letter and at the dialogue with the COMELEC last February 7, to consider revisiting the election contingency plans in case of heightened/ emergency alert levels, similar to what many organizations are doing in these volatile times.

Thank you and with fervent wishes for our country,

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