



Republic of the Philippines
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Manila

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SPECIAL ORDER)
NO. **209**)
Series of 2013)

10-01-13

**SUBJECT: CREATION OF DPWH INSPECTION TEAM TO
FURTHER ASSESS THE STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY
AND SAFETY OF THE BURNT CLUSTER
BUILDING I, TUTUBAN CENTER AT C.M. RECTO
AVENUE, MANILA**

In view of the urgent need to resolve the Motion for Reconsideration filed by the Tenants on the burnt Cluster Building I, Tutuban Center, through their Counsels and other motions filed/issues raised by the concerned parties surrounding the Decision dated 23 August 2013 submitted by Architect Emmanuel P. Cuntapay, former Acting Executive Director of NBCDO, a DPWH Inspection Team to further assess the structural, integrity and safety of the said property is hereby created and is composed of the following:

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| 1. Architect Mariano C. Del Castillo
Bureau of Design | - Team Leader |
| 2. Engr. Wilfredo S. Vallo
Bureau of Design | - Member |
| 3. Engr. Nestor B. Caoile
Bureau of Research and Standards | - Member |
| 4. Engr. Victor M. Gonzales
Bureau of Research and Standards | - Member |
| 5. Engr. Roselyn C. Niebres
Bureau of Construction | - Member |
| 6. Engr. Napoleon T. Nicolas
Buildings and Special Projects Management Cluster | - Member |
| 7. Atty. Juan V. Talion, Jr.
Legal Service | - Member |


Representatives from the concerned parties shall be invited to the inspection of the burnt building, and other activities which shall require their presence, and shall include but not limited to the Tutuban Properties, Inc. (Owner) and their Counsels, the Office of the Building Official, the Tenants and their Counsels, and the Bureau of Fire Protection. Likewise, representative/s from the Association of Structural Engineers of the Philippines shall be invited for their advise and observations on the structural assessment of the burnt building.

The Team is hereby tasked to perform the following:

1. Conduct inspection together with all the concerned parties.
2. Gather/ obtain supporting documents necessary in coming up with conclusive findings.
3. Perform necessary tests to further evaluate the structural integrity and safety of the burnt building to be witnessed by the concerned parties.
4. Seek advice / guidance from the Directors of the concerned offices and other officials of this Department.
5. Consider legal implications in performing the tasks.
6. Consult with the Structural Engineers of the Philippines on the structural findings / analyses and recommendations.
7. Submit initial report not later than 04 October 2013 to the undersigned thru Undersecretary Rafael C. Yabut, containing among others, the findings and recommendations to consider for the undersigned's further actions on the Cease and Desist Order from the Demolition of the Appellant's properties issued on 19 September 2013, and Final resolution of this Case.
8. Perform other related tasks as necessary as directed by the undersigned.

The Team may request any official or employee of this Department as maybe deemed necessary to carry out its tasks and responsibilities.

For strict and immediate compliance.


ROGELIO L. SINGSON
Secretary

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