



PAMBANSANG KOMISYON PARA SA KULTURA AT MGA SINING

26 July 2016

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1606 Sunjoy Towers
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Dear Attorney Gutierrez,

Greetings from the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA)!

This is in response to your request for an NCCA clearance for the construction of Bandong Towers, a 31-storey condominium/"bodega" building located on Barraca Street, San Nicolas, Binondo, Manila, as required by the Housing and Land Use Regulatory Board (HLURB)¹.

Please be informed that on the basis of your Site Development Plan (SDP)², the findings of the National Historical Commission of the Philippines³, and the fact of the non-inclusion of your project site in the National Museum Masterlist of Archaeological Sites⁴, this Commission hereby **grants this clearance** for the above-mentioned project and advises your strict compliance with the attached SDP² and the existing land use plan and zoning ordinance of the City of Manila³.

In addition, in compliance with every citizen's duty to preserve and conserve the Filipino cultural and historical heritage resources⁵, you are required to report to the NM if there will be recovery of archaeological materials during the excavation phase of the project⁶.


This Commission shall monitor the progress of your project until its completion. Any major deviation from your SDP² shall be subject to review by this Commission. For future coordination, you may contact Mr. Edison N. Molanida of the NCCA Heritage Office through phone number 527-2192 local 305.

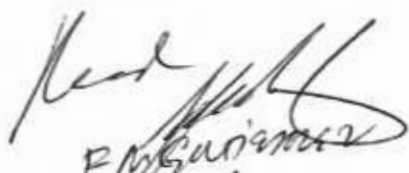
We hope for your strict compliance.

With assurance of our highest esteem and warmest regards.

Very truly yours,

FOR THE CHAIRMAN


ADELINA M. SUEMITH
OIC-Executive Director


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¹ Section 32 of RA 10066: *"Institutional Linkages of the National Cultural Agencies. – x x x x x Furthermore, the Commission may link up with other agencies and institutions, as it may deem appropriate, as a way of dealing with conservation in a holistic manner x x x x x"*

² Annex A

³ Excerpt from the NHCP Letter to the NCCA dated 14 July 2016

⁴ As confirmed by the NM, through Assistant Director Angel P. Bautista, to the NCCA on July 25, 2016

⁵ Section 7 of RA 7356

⁶ Section 30(b) of RA 10066: *"When the presence of any cultural or historical property is discovered, the National Museum or the National Historical Institute shall immediately suspend all activities that will affect the site and shall immediately notify the local government unit having jurisdiction of the place where the discovery was made. The local government shall promptly adopt measures to protect and safeguard the integrity of the cultural property so discovered and, within five (5) days from the discovery, shall report the same to the appropriate agency. The suspension of these activities shall be lifted only upon the written authority of the National Museum or the National Historical Institute and only after the systematic recovery of the archaeological materials."*

Attachment: ANNEX A

Copy furnished: **DIR. ALFREDO GIL M. TAN II**, Regional Director, HLU/RR-National Capital Region
HONORABLE JOSEPH EJERCITO ESTRADA, Mayor, City of Manila
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HONORABLE JEREMY R. BARNS, Director IV, National Museum

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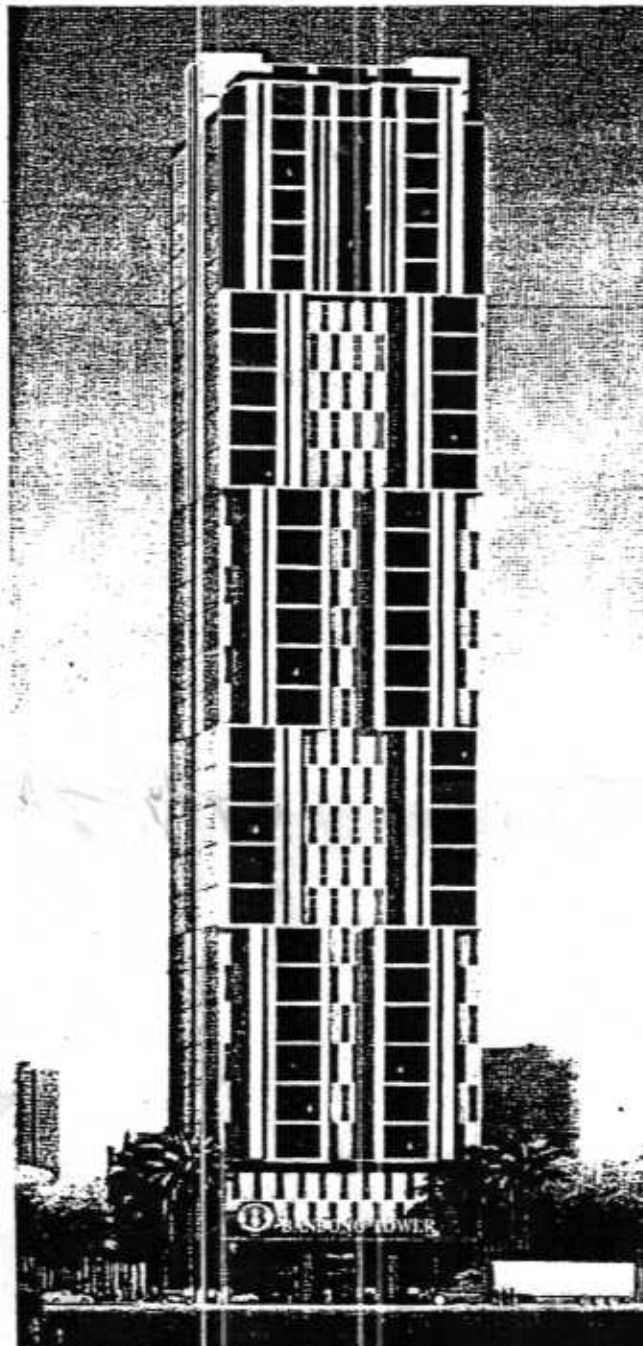


Figure 2 – Perspective View of Bandung Tower Condominium Project

ANNEX A