

REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS KAGAWARAN NG PANANALAPI **KAWANIHAN NG INGATANG-YAMAN** (BUREAU OF THE TREASURY) Intramuros, Manila

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In light of recent reports regarding false representation and the unauthorized use of the Bureau of the Treasury (BTr) logo and/or letterhead, BTr wishes to inform the general public that it has not given permission to any individual or entity to use its logo and/or letterhead nor has it given authority to any person to conduct the collection of remittance through SMS, unofficial email, or any form of social media.

Please be informed that any message through social media, SMS, or unsolicited and unofficial email asking for remittance to BTr is a scam. The scammers behind these fraudulent messages are posing as BTr personnel in an attempt to obtain money from unsuspecting persons.

As a general policy, BTr employees and officers should course their requests through official mediums. Furthermore, all official transactions of the Central Office to the various Regional and Provincial Offices should be communicated through official channels such as the BTr email address with the official domain name, "@treasury.gov.ph" or through the official and verified BTr social media pages.

BTr Personnel and the general public who receive suspicious calls, messages, and letters are encouraged to verify first and report any incident to BTr via the Legal Service at email legalod@treasury.gov.ph or through the contact number +63 2 8524-7037.

We reiterate our previous warning to the perpetrators of these scams that malicious actions such as unauthorized use of the BTr logo and/or letterhead and the conduct of false representation constitute the violation of applicable laws, and that the BTr will not hesitate to file the appropriate charges and take necessary legal actions.