

RESOLUTIONS PASSED DURING THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TRIBAL COMMUNITIES ASSOCIATION OF THE PHILIPPINES, INC. HELD ON MARCH 11, 1997 AT THE DELTA BLDG., WEST AVENUE, QUEZON CITY.

PRESENT: Bae Trinidad "Neneng" Sibug- National President
Timway Ruelo Baya-National Treasurer
Datu Saligan Jose Enginco- Secretary General
Honorable Antonio Kinoc-Chairman of Nominating Committee
Timway Melencio Sangama-Director for Visayas
Regional Tribal Governor Rolando Rivera-Director for Luzon
Chito Ralintay-Director for Luzon
Beatriz Bonpabong-Director for Luzon
Honorable Manahan Sulang-Director for Mindanao

(No. 1) A RESOLUTION calling for the holding of the Second National Tribal Congress to be held at the Batasang Pambansa Hall, Constitutional Hills, Quezon City on April 25-27, 1997;
And that the theme of the Congress will be: THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES GEARING TOWARD 2000 and BEYOND.

No. 2 A RESOLUTION directing the Secretary General to announce to all municipal, Congressional District, Provincial and City and Regional Chapters that the national election of officers will be held on above-mentioned place and dates.

No. 3 A RESOLUTION ANNOUNCING the appointment by the National President of the members of the Nominating Committee, duly noted by the BOD as follows: Honorable Antonio Kinoc-Chairman, Atty Emmanuel de Guzman and John Latiff as members, and their contact address is: c/o Oscc Central Office, Delta Bldg., West Avenue, Quezon City

No. 4 A RESOLUTION determining the positions to be filled up during the elections as follows:

1. National President
2. Executive Vice President
3. Vice President for Luzon
4. Vice President for Visayas
5. Vice President for Mindanao
6. Secretary General
7. Treasurer
8. Auditor
- 9 to 13 - (5) Members of the BOD for Luzon
- 14-15 - (2) Members of the BOD for Visayas
- 16-23 - (8) Members of the BOD for Mindanao

(No. 5) A RESOLUTION setting April 7, 1997 as the date of the Nominating Committee's first announcement of names of candidates and the respective positions they aspire for.

Further, that the final list of the names of the candidates for the various positions will be presented to the voters on April 25, 1997 at 12:00 o'clock noon.

No. 6 A RESOLUTION setting the election by secret balloting as the last activity of the Congress.

No. 7 A RESOLUTION initially fixing, the qualified number of voters at 300, distributed and certified as follows:

1. Luzon Area- 90 voters to be determined by the ROD from Luzon
2. Visayas Area- 30 voters to be determined by the ROD from Visayas
3. Mindanao Area- 180 voters to be determined by the Treasurer, Secretary General and the VP for Mindanao and duly approved by the National President.

Further, that there shall be no limit as to the number of non-voting delegates to the Convention.

No. 8 A RESOLUTION directing the TRICAP-COMELEC to present for the approval of the qualified voters, the rules governing the conduct of the election at least three hours before the Nominating Committee shall have announced the final official list of candidates and their respective positions sought out.

No. 9 A RESOLUTION defining the term "qualified to vote" as follows:

1. Chartered members shall present his/her original identification card duly signed by the founding President and or presentation of an official receipt attesting to his payment of required dues.
2. Non-chartered members shall present their identification card duly signed by the National President and shall show evidence that his share of the required fee mandate to be remitted to the national office of ten pesos per year covering 1995 and 1996.

No. 10 A RESOLUTION forming the major committees and their respective Chairpersons who are correspondingly empowered to form sub-committees and to select their members, namely:

1. Executive Committee.....Bae Trinidad "Neneng" Sibug
2. Congress Director..... Rolando Rivera
3. Finance and Ways and Means.... Ruelo Baya
4. Secretariat..... Jose Enginco
5. Programs, Exhibits, Socials, etc Beatriz Bonfabong
6. Plenary Sessions..... Antonio Kinoc
7. Political Concerns Committee.. Tommie Labaon
8. Cultural Concerns Committee... Manahan Sulang
9. Economic Concerns Committee... Melencio Sangama
10. TRICAP Organizational Concerns Ronald Adamat/Chito Balintay

No. 11 A RESOLUTION requiring the National Officers and all Chapters Officers to submit their written accomplishment reports covering 1994-1996 for inclusion into the official documents of the Congress.

No. 12 A RESOLUTION authorizing the publication of the SOUVENIR PROGRAM Book and appointing the Secretary General to be the Project Director.

No. 13 A RESOLUTION directing the Congress director to request the DILG Secretary to issue special instructions allowing the Local Government Elective Officials belonging to the indigenous peoples to actively participate in the Second National Tribal Congress, similar to that issued by the DILG Secretary for the First National Tribal Congress.



No. 14) A RESOLUTION determining the four major concerns which will be taken up during the Convention as follows:

1. POLITICAL CONCERNS will take up issues such as the Philippine Constitutional Amendment, the Party List, the Ancestral Domain Commission, the Sectoral Representative in Congress, Relationships with all government instrumentalities which affect the indigenous peoples, the registration of voters and others.
2. ECONOMIC CONCERNS will take livelihood and enterprise opportunities, investment potentials of the CADC areas, Dialogue with potential investors, Fund sourcing and others.
3. CULTURAL CONCERNS will tackle the management systems introduced by outsiders on the Ancestral Domain areas, Code of Conduct for the indigenous peoples, Tribal Tourism, Tribal State University, DECS curricula, mass media distortions, tribal participation in the Centennial Celebrations, etc.
4. TRICAP ORGANIZATIONAL CONCERNS will take up rules on the affiliates, maintenance of the national office, communication networking, membership campaigns, Iloilo meeting on January 1998 and the Baguio Convention on February 1998.

No. 15 A RESOLUTION authorizing the National President to create a subsidiary corporation or foundation which will be responsible for the economic and other vital concerns such as but not limited to sourcing of funds and that the TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION OF THE PHILIPPINES, INC. is highly recommended to be revitalized and as such could serve as the economic arm mentioned above.

No. 16 A RESOLUTION affirming the amendments to the TRICAP Constitution and By-Laws which were unanimously adopted and approved by those present during this BOD meeting:

1. ARTICLE III
CHAPTERS AND MEMBERSHIPS

Section 4. Regular members shall be those duly accredited members of the municipal, Congressional District, Provincial, City and Regional Chapters who are members of any tribe by consanguinity or affinity.

ARTICLE VI
DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

Section 1 The National President shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the association. He shall preside at all Executive Board meetings and national assemblies. He shall appoint committee chairmen and shall act as ex-officio member of each of these committees. He shall call for regular election in accordance to the Constitution of the association.

Section 2 The National President, Executive Vice President Vice President for Luzon, Vice President for Visayas Vice President for Mindanao, Secretary General, Treasurer, and Auditor shall be elected at large. The same officers shall compose the Executive Board and shall serve as ex-officio members of the BOD.

ARTICLE VII
ELECTIONS

Section 4. All officers elected during the regular election of officers shall hold office for three (3) years.

ARTICLE X
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1 Number of Directors and Qualifications. The affairs and business of the association shall be administered by a Board of Directors of fifteen (15) members, five (5) of whom will represent Luzon, two (2) the Visayas and eight (8) Mindanao. Only one (1) director shall represent a tribe and if two or more tribesmen are chosen, at the national elections, the candidate garnering the highest number of votes shall be considered elected. No person shall be eligible for election for the office of Director unless he has the following qualifications:
1) He must be a member of good standing of the association
2) He must know how to read and write
3) He must have sufficient time and willingness to perform his duties
4) He must be a Filipino citizen.

Certified true and correct:

Beatriz Bongabong
BEATRIZ BONGABONG
Secretary and Member of the BOD

Conforme:

Bae Trinidad "Neneng" Sibug
National President

Attested:

Melencio Banrama
Melencio Banrama
President Officer

Attested:

Jose G. Onginco
Jose G. Onginco
Secretary General

Timway Pineda
TIMWAY PINEDA
NATIONAL PRESIDENT

Second National Tribal Congress

Manual of Operations

Description of Activities

Project Title : **SECOND NATIONAL TRIBAL CONGRESS**

Project Site : Main Lobby, House of Representatives
Batasan Complex, Constitution Hills, Quezon City
Philippines

Project Schedule : February 14-16, 1998

Project Beneficiary :

 Direct Tribal Leaders Throughout the country

 Indirect 110 Tribal Aggregations of the country

Project Coordinator : **TRIBAL COMMUNITIES ASSOCIATION OF THE PHILS., Inc. (TRICAP)**

Address : Ninoy Aquino Parks & Wildlife Center
PAWB-DENR, Quezon Blvd., Quezon City

Contact Person : **BAE TRINIDAD T. SIBUG** - National President

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BACKGROUND

2.1 RATIONALE

TRICAP as an organization is bound of the schedule to conduct regular General Assembly annually and elections of its national officers every two years. Its constitution and by-laws of the organizations requires bi-annual elections of its leadership. This is the mandate that the founders of TRICAP have established to allow dynamic and democratic process of electing officers.

2.1.4 A need for an international agreement is vital for the non-Muslim IPs to bring forth the attention to the international agencies the necessary recognition of the Philippine Government on the various needs of the non-Muslim IPs in the country.

2.2 OBJECTIVES

2.2.1 General Objective

To gather tribal leaders from various settlements of the country from 110 different tribal communities and conduct the second national tribal congress on December 4-6, 1996 in Quezon City, Philippines.

2.2.2 Specific Objectives

- a) Conduct a general assembly of tribal leaders from throughout the country on December 4-6, 1997 in Quezon City;
- b) Review policies of the government for the development programs of the non-Muslim indigenous peoples of the country;
- c) Secure the screening of new appointments of officers of the newly proposed agency as approved by both houses of Congress that the President must appoint genuine members of the indigenous people with extensive exposure to the development of IPs and possess required qualifications;
- d) Jointly seek the proper recognition of the need to provide substantial funds for poverty alleviation of the indigenous peoples throughout the country on the actual needs and prioritization on the ancestral lands and domain;
- e) Seek the intervention of the government to secure social development and preservation of the culture and arts of the indigenous peoples of the entire country from massive exploitation;
- f) Secure the country's membership to a world treaty on indigenous community protection by supporting the passage of ILO 169 by the Philippine Senate.

2.3 LINKAGES

- 2.3.1 Office of the President, Malacañang, Manila - Resource speakers and support to the 2nd Nat'l Congress.

- 2.3.2 House of Representatives - Resource Speakers for the House bills on the creation of the new office.
- 2.3.3 Social Reform Council/DAR - Poverty Alleviation issues and resource speakers
- 2.3.4 Senate Committee on Cultural Communities - Resource speakers and Senate Bill issues
- 2.3.5 ILO-DANIDA/Sentro ng Pamayanan - ILO Resource speakers on ILO 169
- 2.3.6 NEDA - Socail Development Issues

2.4 SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES - See Schedule of Activities

CONGRESS MAIN COMPONENTS

3.1 BRIEF BACKGROUND

TRICAP as an organization is conducting this second national tribal congress in accordance to its constitution and by-laws that every two years, the organization shall conduct a national congress/conference and elect new set of leaders as new mandate of its leadership. As provided for by the constitution and by-laws, the leaders elected last Congress in 1994 will expire by October 30, 1996.

Also during this year, TRICAP will be on its 10th year in existence as an organization of the Indigenous People. Established during the lifetime of DATU JOSEPH GUABONG SIBUG, this organization will have to proceed in serving its constituents.

However, on this particular congress, the members are expected to pay the full amount of their registration as determined by the Working committee to defray all expenses of the entire duration and to shoulder all expenses of their transportation from their settlements and base to the Congress venue and vice-versal.

3.2 OPENING CEREMONIES & KEYNOTE SPEECH - Sat., 14 February 1998

This event on the Congress is very vital and even pivotal to the whole Congress as the Opening ceremonies will be the first activity where the participants will be required to wear their original and authentic costumes representative of their tribe.

3.2.1 Roll Call - Prior to the opening ceremonies, an official roll call will be undertaken by the Secretary-General on all registered participants and reports to the National President if the members present represent the majority of all TRICAP leaders and listed official delegates throughout the country.

3.2.2 Acknowledgement of a Majority - The National President then acknowledges the roll call and determination of a majority attendance by the Secretary-General and shall proceed by banging the gavel that the Second National Congress will come to order. Bangs the gavel twice.

3.2.3 Opening Ceremonies Proceeds - The National President suspends the rules of order and announces the events that shall take place during the day until the Plenary sessions as scheduled and turn-over responsibility to the PROGRAM COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN to provide directions and expected outputs then calls on the MASTER OF CEREMONIES of the Opening Program to proceed on the activities. Bangs the gavel once.

- a) Opening Ritual for peace and solidarity of all tribal people of the country
- b) Music rendition of the kulintang or any tribal music

3.2.4 March of the Keynote Speaker - Upon determination by the EMCEE that the Keynote Speaker is now ready to march to the stage with the National President, TRICAP key officials and other guests, the EMCEE will announce the entrance of the Keynote speaker & and TRICAP Officials.

3.2.5 Speech of the Keynote Speaker - The keynote speech will serve as the determining factor of the entire Congress proceedings. It is expected that the keynote speaker will encourage or give statements that will be good for the indigenous peoples. However, the issues are foremost to the entire proceedings. Everything will be recorded and will be transcribed to provide us the insights of the speech if it is delivered extemporaneous. But if this is drafted and formally delivered, a copy of the speech will be distributed later to guide all participants through all the proceedings during discussions of the conferences and plenary sessions.

3.2.6 Limitations of the Opening Ceremonies - The keynote speech will be treated as it is and the open forum and other questions raised after the speech is not in order, therefore, this is discourage from taking place.

3.2 **CONFERENCES - Saturday, 14 February 1998**

There will be two main conferences during this tribal congress to allow participants to hear updates of the developments that can affect their lives in the future. As mentioned on the objectives of this national tribal congress, these conferences will be the avenue wherein a propose plans of action can be organized by the participating groups by consensus and will be considered output of the conference to be raised on the floor at the plenaries.

3.2.1 Conference Speakers - There are two periods where panelists will be invited to talk on various issues that will jointly be delivered with individual time slots and jointly discussed in an open forum during the end of each 20-30 minute messages. Representative of the

different agencies involved on the different issues will also be invited to be a panelist together with the speaker of the issue.

- a) 1st Conference Session -
 - Conference A - Governance (New Commission under HB9125&SB1728)
 - Conference B - Political Participation (Party list & constitutional amendments)
 - Conference C - Environmental Concerns (Land Use, Mining Act & etc.)
 - b) 2nd Conference Session -
 - Conference D - Local Resource Mgt & International issues (ILO169, PA21& etc)
 - Conference E - Autonomy & Self-Governance - (CAR, ARMM & SPCPD)
 - Conference F - Poverty Alleviation & Food Security issues (SRA&etc.)
- 3.2.2 Conference Committee and Procedure -

- a) A committee of the Secretariat will take charge of the conferences with the following functions to ensure successful formulation of resolutions that will be raised to the plenaries.
 - 1) The committee will act as facilitator of the two conferences promptly and effectively.
 - 2) The facilitators will process for the selection of the conference rapporteur among the participants that shall will act as presenter of the resolutions that participants shall pass during the open forum.
 - 3) The facilitator shall immediately encode the results for projection during the plenary session and presentation of the conference results.
- b) The committee shall document the proceedings with proper recording of the speeches and discussions through tape recording or video if available.
- c) Facilitator shall be able to encourage participation of the delegates for more thorough discussion of the different issues.
 - 1) The Congress Management shall designate a Conference Committee Chairman that shall act as the Conference facilitator and shall moderate the open forum to ensure successful discussion and open participation of delegates.
 - 2) Crowd control and encourager of the participants to give due respect to speakers as they are invited to provide us information for positive action.
 - 3) Provides direction to other members of the conference committee members
 - 4) Have the full knowledge and capabilities in handling conferences
 - 5) Can devise ways of proper decorum and procedures for smooth proceedings

3.3 TRICAP CONFERENCE (NATIONAL ISSUES & TRIBAL COMMUNITY)
Saturday, 14 February 1998 (7:30-9:30 PM)

This important conference is the reporting of the all activities of the TRICAP National leaders for the entire period covered since their election on the previous Congress. This report must be in writing and formally read to the general assembly for approval as document which shall form part of the official acts of the different leaders of the organization.

3.3.1 Conference Chairman - The National President will have to act as the chairperson of the TRICAP Conference and the use of parliamentary procedures shall be announced in compliance of the Constitution and by-laws of the organization.

- a) Secretary-General must record the proceedings of this important conference of the national congress and must act as such in accordance to the by-laws
- b) TRICAP Officials must take their seats of arrangement before the general assembly during this important conference as determined.
- c) All TRICAP National officials will render their end of term report.
- d) There shall be designated a conference parliamentarian to ensure order of the proceedings and keep proper recording of the proceedings.
- e) Discussion, debate and questions shall only be entertained when a motion on the issue is raised on the table by the proponent and on the proper time and order.
- f) TRICAP conference committee must ensure participation on the issues and this important meeting.

3.4 TRIBAL CONGRESS PLENARY - Sunday, 15 February 1998 (8:30-11:30 a.m.)

This is the most important part of the 3-day confab. This is the time where all issues from the conferences, past congress and other matters are raised to the table for favorable action, through proper motion, discussed, amended, objected or approved is carried as the official action that shall be undertaken by the organization. As provided for by the constitution and by-laws of TRICAP, Congress proceedings shall be carried out in parliamentary procedure or otherwise known as Robert's Rules of Order.

3.4.1 Congress Chairperson - the TRICAP National President shall act as the official Chairperson of the Plenary session.

3.4.2 Other Officials - The plenary shall have other officials that shall take their seat at the presidential table for the entire duration of the plenaries.

a) Congress Secretary - The TRICAP Secretary-General shall act as the official Secretary of the Plenaries and shall be seated at the left side of the Congress Chairperson. Parliamentary procedures will allow only the secretary to speak when requested and very necessary to the proceedings.

b) Congress Parliamentarian - The Congress Chairperson shall announce and designate the Congress Parliamentarian to assist the Chairperson on the parliamentary proceedings and shall be seated next to the Secretary-General at the left side of the Congress Chairperson.

c) Executive Vice-President - The TRICAP EVP shall act as the Congress co-chairperson of the Plenaries and shall at all times be seated at the right side of the Congress Chairperson to be at assistance once the Chairperson relinquish the position to participate in the proceedings or issues raised on the table affecting her directly or when the chairperson finds it necessary.

d) Floor leaders - There shall be floor leaders for Luzon, Visayas, and Mindanao and their designation shall be raised in point from the floor from qualified National TRICAP official that shall delineate the procedures of the parliamentary proceedings.

3.5 ELECTION OF NATIONAL OFFICERS

As provided for by the constitution and by-laws of TRICAP, election shall be held every two years for a fresh mandate. Election is an exercise to strengthen the organization and temper the members into unity as issues will be raised for better governance of the organization.

There is an express ruling of the constitution that the members of the election committee shall serve three years before new members will be designated as replacements.

Also, the committee is authorized to require candidates to pay a non-refundable fee of the position a member wish to run for office. It is left entirely to the committee to draft the basic requisites for elective posts per provision of the Constitution and By-laws.

A supplemental number of secretariat volunteers shall form part of the Election Committee.

3.6 AWARDING OF TRICAP NATIONAL AWARDS

3.6.1 There shall be an awarding of outstanding performances by indigenous people on the following :

- a) Outstanding tribal youth leader + Cash incentive
- b) Outstanding Chapter President for operations + Cash incentive
- c) Outstanding Chapter President for management + cash incentive
- d) Most number of official delegates + cash incentive
- e) Outstanding tribal chieftain of the hinterlands/settlements + cash incentive

3.6.2 Awards

- a) Plaque

- b) Cash Award
 - c) Awarding rites during the closing ceremonies
- 3.6.3 Committee on Awards

There shall be a committee on awards and shall be responsible to the solicitation and preparation of the awards. Drafting and approval of the criteria of choosing the award by the Executive Committee of the Secretariat and the choice of the panel of judges shall be the sole responsibility of the committee on awards.

3.7 The Second National Congress Preparation Group

The second national congress shall only be successful with members who are dedicated to work religiously on the preparation, planning, actual implementation, and post-Congress activities. No single person can act or do a successful congress without people working as a team. It is expected that members have to volunteer some work to prepare the entire activity that shall commence on December 4-6, 1997.

This special committee shall be organized to work on the schedule of activities and the souvenir program of Second National Tribal Congress. TRICAP will fund the initial activities.

3.8 Congress Secretariat

The second national tribal congress shall have the Secretariat that shall be composed of three main committees and different small committees that will organize and act on time when needed and diffuses upon completion of the task. This will immediately activate on December 3 to 7, 1997 and will cease to exist when the whole schedule of activities are accomplished.

- a) Executive Committee
 - Invitation & Registration
 - Solicitation
 - Resource speakers and panelists
 - Reception & Information
 - Awards, honors and appreciation
 - Press & Media publication
- b) Finance Committee
 - Registration
 - Budget and funds disbursements
 - billeting and accomodation
 - food

- transportation
 - physical services
- c) Program Committee
- Venue & hall preparation
 - Programs, emcees, socials
 - Briefing, orientation, schedule of activities
 - Documentation, resolutions, terminal report
 - Conference and Plenary Facilitation group
 - TRICAP Business Facilitation
 - Souvenir program

3.9 Post-Congress Working Group

The working group will commence activities on the first week of October and will cease working as such until implementation on December 4-6, 1997 then commences right after the last day of the main activity and will for 30 days to clear all responsibilities especially in the documentation.

The organization shall have no fixed formation except that volunteers should meet regularly and complement what are needed in the day to day activities. Depending on the capability and skill of the volunteer, the working group is headed by TRICAP National President with two coordinators who will initiate works to realize the project.

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

4.1 Number of Participants

4.1.1 National Tribal Offices	32 participants
4.1.2 City/Provincial/Regional Tribal leaders	
City/Provincial Chieftains	75 participants
Secretary-Treasurer	75 participants
Chapter Presidents	100 participants
4.1.4 Members	100 participants
4.1.5 Secretariat	38 persons
4.1.6 Guests	30 persons
Total Participants	450 persons

4.2 Obligations of Participants

4.2.1 Transportation - all transportation from place of origin to Congress site must be shouldered by the invited participant to the Second National Tribal Congress.

4.2.2 Accomodation - (Fully paid annual dues and actively participating or involved on all activities and undertaking of the indigenous peoples either national or local endeavors will be considered for free accomodation and food).

4.2.3 Registration fee - all participating members will be required to pay a registration fee of **P300.00** each to defray cost of materials in printing of kits, hand-outs and certificates of attendance.

4.2.4 New and re-activated members will be required to shoulder accomodation while in Manila or will be accomodated through sponsoring agencies and participating organizations that individuals will be able to solicit thru invitation of the Secretariat.

4.3 Budget Consideration - refer to TRICAP Treasurer budget allocation.

4.3.1 Accomodation

a) Total No. of Participants w/ Accomodation

1. National Tribal Offices	32 participants
2. City/Provincial/Regional Tribal leaders	
• City/Provincial Chieftains	75 participants
• Secretary-Treasurer	75 participants
• Chapter Presidents	100 participants
3. Secretariat	38 persons
4. Guest & Members w/ spl cases	+ 62 persons
Total No. of Participants w/ accomodation	382 persons

IV. SUMMARY

Implementation of this proposal is a must. There is no alternative course to undertake except to conduct a National Congress of the various tribal leaders of the country o have a common stand in forging a national policy that must govern the non-Muslim Indigenous People in the globalization of our country's economy.

The indigenous peoples as a sector is way below the needed development intervention by the government to get into the mainstream society. Unless there is a national consciousness and a common stand, the indigenous peoples will remain fragmented despite

provisions in the fundamental law of the land - the Philippine Constitution of 1987. In this particular need, this proposal is recommended for immediate approval and funding.

The role of the TRICAP as peoples' organization is very vital on the raising of consciousness for development as the nation agency is divided among the northern and southern partitions by virtue of E.O. 122-B and E.O. 122-C and there should be a national approach for sustainable development of the indigenous peoples in entire country. With this proposal, the representative members and tribal leader will be able to gather together and present their sentiments over the long overdue of development that the national government had been offering them.

Ultimately, up to the present administration there is the same neglect within the national government over the years on the plight of the indigenous peoples. No matter what explanation there is from the side of these agencies, the tribal communities are still suffering from the continued neglect by way of providing a very low budget allotted for development projects representing only about 10% of the entire cost of maintaining these agencies and there was lack of proper representation in the halls of Congress for the passage of important laws that will protect the indigenous peoples in the entire country as the rich and influential controls the Commission on Appointments causing tremendous neglect on the sector.

In view hereof, it is imminent that the IPs should seek a higher representative organization such as an international agreement that should be able to take care of the attention that the Philippine government must provide to the indigeneous peoples of the entire country. Hence, this project proposal is highly recommended for approval and immediate funding.

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Approved:

Rae Trinidad T. Sibug

TRICAP National President

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A C Q U A I N T A N C E P R O G R A M M E

Tuesday: 5 July 1994
 7:30 - 10:30 PM
 (Tribal Attire)

PART I - Formal Programme

1. Pambansang Awit BAE ELTA LAURILLA
2. Invocation JOHN LATTIP
 Commissioner-CAR Region
3. TRICAP CREED DATU FUNDADOR BINAHON, JR.,
 Bukidnon Tribal Leader
4. Opening Remarks JUAN DAIT, JR.,
 Acting President
 TRICAP
5. Intermission Number BAGOMO Dance
 Tess Ocenar
6. Inspirational Talk HON. RAUL ROCO
 Senator
7. Intermission Number SAMAL Dance
 Socorro Eulogio
8. Introduction of the Guest of Honor DIR. ABRINO AYDINAN
 Tribal Affairs Division
 Dep't of Agrarian Reform
9. Speech of the Guest of Honor:

HON. HEHERSON "SONY" ALVAREZ
 Senator

10. Community Singing of TRICAP Theme Song TESS OCENAR

PART II - ACQUAINTANCE PROGRAM

1. Introduction of Participants DATU MARTIN S. EMIN
 SOIL Awardee
 - a) Tribal Leaders - Luzon, Visayas, Mindanao
 - b) Local Gov't Officials - Luzon, Visayas, Mindanao
 - c) Honored guests
2. TRICAP MARCH
3. Dance $\frac{3}{2}$ Dance - Dance

Master of Ceremonies ATTY. RUPERTO DESABILLA

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O P E N I N G P E R F O R M O N I E S

Wednesday: 6 July 1994
8:00 - 12:00 NN

- PART I - Constitutional Amendments 8:00 - 10:00 . . .
- PART II - P R O G R A M M E
1. Pambansang Awit BAE TESS OCTINAR
 2. Invocation DATU EDUARDO BANDA
Kagawad - Magpet
 3. TRICAP CREED ROLANDO RIVERA
Tarlac Tribal Leader
 4. Opening Remarks BAE MINENG T. SIBUG
Congress Director
 5. Welcome Address HON. LORENZO S. DINALAYAN, SR.
(Datu Bagangbangan)
Executive Director-OSCC
 6. Intermission Number Northern Tribal Rendition
 7. Short Talk MS. CECILE GUIDOTE-ALVAREZ
Communication Director
Earthsavers' Movement
 8. Intermission Number T'VBOLI Dance - OSCC Dance
Troupe
 9. Presentation of Dignitaries, guests & delegates
MR. RONALD ADAMAT
Commissioner
 10. Introduction of the Keynote Speaker: MR. JUAN DAIT, JR.,
Actg. President, TRICAP
 11. Speech of the Keynote Speaker:
HON. JOSE S. DE VENECIA, JR.,
House Speaker, Philippine Congress
Republic of the Philippines
 12. Closing Remarks ATTY. JOSEPH BANGHULOT
Deputy Executive Director
O S C C
- Master of Ceremonies ATTY. PAQUITO ARJONA

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OPENING OF TRIBAL EXHIBITS

Wednesday: 6 July 1994
4:00 - 5:00 PM

P R O G R A M M E

Part I

1. Cutting of the Tribal Vine Guest of Honor
MS. GINA DE VENEZIA - President,
Congressional Spouses Foundation
HON. LORENZO S. DINLAYAN, SR.,
(Datu Bagangbangan)
Executive Director--OSCC

Part II

1. Invocation Ifugao Tribe
2. Opening Remarks MS. PRISCILLA EBILLO
SOIL Awardee
3. Intermission Manobo Dance
4. Short Talk MS. GINA DE VENEZIA
President, Congressional
Spouses Foundation, Inc.
5. Intermission Number Mangyan Dance

Part III

Formal Opening of Tribal Exhibits

- Master of Ceremonies DR. ZENY CANIA
SOIL Awardee

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 Batasan Halls, House of Representatives
 Constitution Hills, Quezon City
 July 5-8, 1994

F E L L O W S H I P N I G H T

Wednesday, 6 July 1994
7:30 - 11:30 P.M.

P R O G R A M M E

Part I - Formal Program

1. Pambansang Awit MS. NENITA ALONZO
2. Invocation Kaling Tribal Leader
3. TRICAP CREED MR. JOHN EATTIP
Commissioner
4. Opening Remarks ATTY. DOMINGO LEGUIAB
Plenary Chairman
5. Intermission Number BONTOK Tribal Dance
6. **Inspirational Talk** **MR. REX LEGAL**
TRICAP Theme Song Kidapawan Tribal Choir
7. Closing Remarks DATU DEGRACIAS "DUNGGUAN"
RAIZ

Part II - Socials

DANCE - DANCE - DANCE - DANCE - DANCE

Master of Ceremonies: DATU FUNDADOR BINAHON, JR.;

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CANDIDATES FELLOWSHIP NIGHT

Thursday: 7 July 1994
7:30 - 11:30 P.M.

P R O G R A M M E

1. Pambansang Awit MS. GRACE CHAVEZ
 2. Invocation SACDAL CAANAMAN
 3. TRICAP CREED CHITO BALINTAY
 4. Intermission Number BUKIDNON DANCE TROUPE
 5. Short Talk DR. MANUEL ALBA
City Administrator
Quezon City
 6. Intermission Number TRIBAL MUSICAL RENDITION
 7. Short Talk HON. JOSE ZUBIRI
Congressman, 3rd Dist.
 8. Introduction of Guests/Dignitaries/Leaders RONALD ADAMAT
Commissioner
 9. Intermission ALETA ABLONG
 10. Inspirational Talk HON. JUAN PONCE ENRILE
Congressman
Cagayan Valley
 11. Introduction of the Guest of Honor ATTY. JUAN G. SIBUG
 12. Speech of the Guest of Honor HON. TEOFISTO GUINGONA
Executive Secretary
 13. TRICAP THEME SONG COMMUNITY SINGING SARAH OSEA
 14. Closing Remarks ATTY. MARCIANO CIERNA
- Master of Ceremonies DATU MARINO B. ICDANG

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OPENING PLENARY SESSION

Thursday: 7 July 1994
8:00 - 12:00 NN

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Part I - Opening Program

1. Pambarang Awit MS. EMMA MONTESSA
2. Invocation TIMUAY CUSTODIO SALLILING
3. TRICAP CREED MR. RAYMUNDO A. ONGGONA
Congress Plenary Chairman
4. Call to Order Conference Rapporteur
5. Presentation of Conference Resolutions
A to E

Part II - Suspension of Rules

- a. Opening Remarks ATTY. EDUARDO SINGAYAO
- b. Intermission Number MANOBO Dance - Region X
- c. Introduction of Guest Speaker KGD. TOMMIE LABAON
SP- Province of Bukidnon
- d. Speech of the Guest Speaker:

HON. RAFAEL ALUNAN III
Secretary, DILG

Master of Ceremonies DATU EVERARD LILANGAN

Part III - Resumption of the Plenary

Resumption of the presentation of Conference Resolutions
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SECOND PLENARY SESSION

Thursday: 7 July 1994
2:00 - 5:30 P.M.

P R O G R A M M E

Part I - Resumption of Plenaries

1. Call to Order Congress Plenary Chairman
2. Invocation DATU MANKUGITAN DELA MANCAY
Bukidnon Tribal Leader
3. TRICAP CREED IFUGAO TRIBAL LEADER
4. Presentation of Conference Resolution
F to I Conference Rapporteur

Part II - Suspension of Rules

1. Intermission Number AETA TRIBAL DANCE
2. Introduction of the Guest Speaker HON. ALVARO ABINTES
Labangan, Zamboanga Sur
3. Speech of the Guest Speaker:

HON. DOMINIQUE "NIKKI" COSETENG
S e n a t o r

Master of Ceremonies DATU VIC BUYANTE

Part III - Resumption of the Plenaries

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Part IV - COMELEC HOUR

1. Presentation of Candidates
2. Election
3. Canvassing

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to

Tribal Leader Rolando Rivera

for having actively participated in the FIRST NATIONAL TRIBAL
CONGRESS held on July 5-8, 1994 at the Batasan Rambansa Complex,
Constitution Hills, Diliman, Quezon City.

Given this 8th day of July 1994.

BAE TRINIDAD "NENENG" T. SIBUG
National Tribal Congress
Director

LORENZO (DATU BAGANGBANGANG) S. DINLAYAN, SR.
Undersecretary
Office for Southern Cultural Communities
National Executive Committee Chairman

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De Venecia urges listing of ancestral lands



• Speaker Jose de Venecia Jr. has proposed a national cadastral survey of all ancestral homelands to help ensure ownership of tribal lands by the nation's cultural minorities. De Venecia was given a standing ovation when he made the proposal before 1,000 tribal leaders representing some eight million members of the country's indigenous cultural communities during the recently concluded four-day National Tribal Congress (Tricap) at the Batasan complex. He instructed

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De Venecia urges listing

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Rep. Jeremias Zapata, chairman of the House committee on national cultural minorities, Rep. Exequiel Javier of the committee on ways and means and Rep. Rolando Andaya of the committee on appropriate

tions to raise the necessary funds to finance the project starting with regional cadastral surveys.

De Venecia also asked the Tricap for inputs that would help Congress in the just and proportional allotment of resources and financing of tribal programs even as he also proposed an increase in the budget of the Offices for Cultural Minorities.

"We in Congress are committed to the upliftment of the country's cultural minorities because they constitute a vital and indispensable sector of the Filipino nation," De Venecia stressed.

The Tricap conference also elected the following national officers: Bae Trinidad Sibug

(widow of the late Rep. Joseph Sibug, sectoral representative for the cultural communities), as national president; Juan Dait Jr. executive vice-president; Marino Icdang, vice-president for Mindanao; Jose Goygoyon, vice president for Luzon; and Ruperto Desabilla, vice president for Visayas.

Elected to the board of directors for Luzon were ~~Marino~~ Rivera, Chito Balintay and Jane Bungabong; for Mindanao were Tommie Labaon, Manahan Sulang, Manolo Tobias, Allado Ra and Deogracias Raiz; for Visayas, Melencio Sanggama. Always at hand to take care of the medical needs of the conferees were Dr. Norah Marilyn

Sibug (national tribal physician), Natalie Cadampog (national tribal nurse) and their staff.

The distinct Filipino tribes represented in the congress were Aetas of Quezon, Alangan (Mangyan) and Batangan (Mangyan) of Mindoro, Batak, Coyoanon, Palawanon, Tagbanuas and Tao't Bato of Palawan, Agta Abiyan and Agta of Bicol, Badjaos of Cebu, Atas/Atu/Magahat of Negros Oriental, Eskaya of Bohol, Higaonon of Agusan, Bukidnon and Misamis Occidental/Oriental, Manobo of Agusan and Surigao, Bagobo of Davao, Ibanag of Isabela, Igorot of Mountain Province, Tiruray and B'laan of Mindanao and Tasaday, among others.

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Ancestral land action pledged

By RODRIL VILLA

Speaker Jose de Venecia took steps yesterday to guarantee the land rights of the nation's minorities by initiating a regional cadastral survey of all ancestral homelands.

His proposal was met with a standing ovation by some 1,000 leaders gathered in colorful native garments, representing some eight million members of indigenous communities at the end of their four-day National Tribal Congress (Tricap) at the Batasan complex yesterday.

The tribal leaders lamented the continuing marginalization of their communities by the onslaught of land grabbers, illegal loggers, and poachers on their fishing grounds in one of the major issues they discussed during their congress.

They sought a larger share of the national budget and more effective medical, health, food, and other public services.

De Venecia directed Rep. Heremias Z. Zapata (Manila 8th col.) to

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chairman of the House committee on national cultural minorities; Rep. Exequiel Javier, head of the ways and means committee; and Rep. Rolando Andaya, leading the appropriations committee to raise the necessary funds and establish the systems to initiate a regional cadastral survey for the minorities.

He asked the tribal leaders for inputs to assist Congress in the just allotment of resources and financing of tribal programs. The speaker vowed an increase in the budget of the offices for cultural minorities.

"We in Congress are committed to the uplift of the country's tribal minorities who constitute a vital and indispensable sector of the Filipino nation," he said.

The Tricap conference elected as their national president Ms. Bae Trinidad Sibug, widow of Rep. Joseph Sibug, sectoral representative for cultural communities.

Others elected were Juan Dait Jr. of Ifigao, as executive vice president; Mariano Ldang, vice president for Mindanao; Jose Gayosyon, vice president for Luzon

and lawyer Ruperto Desablier, vice president for the Visayas. Elected directors were: For Luzon — Rolando Rivera Chito Balintay, and Jane Bungalobong; Visayas — Melencio Sangama and Mindanao — Tommie Labanon Manahan Surlang Manolo Tobias, Alado Ra, and Deogracias Ratz.

Taking care of the medical needs of the conferees were Dr. Norah Marilyn Sibug (national tribal physician), Natalie Cadamog (tribal nurse) and their staff.

The tribal leaders represented the Aetas of Quezon, Alangan (Mangyan) and Bataan (Mangyan), Mindoro; Batak, Cuyoanon, Palawanon, Tagbanua, and Taot Bato of Palawan; Agta Abiyan and Agta of Bicol; Badjaos of Cebu, the Atas, Ati or Magahat, Negros Oriental, Eskaya, Bopos, Misamis Occidental and Oriental; Manobo of Agusan and Surigao; Bagobo of Davao; Ibanag; Isabela Igorot; of Marikina province; Tinaray and B'laan of Mindanao; Tasaday of Cotabato; among others.