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THE PHILIPPINES' FIRST NATIONAL SHIPYARD CONVENTION

Manila, Philippines, 22 September 2016 – The Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) registered Shipyards throughout the country has come together at the center of shipping trade in the country for the First National Shipyard Convention on 15-16 September 2016 held in the City Sports Club Cebu of Cebu City.

The national convention, organized and sponsored by the Shipyard Association of the Philippines (ShAP) and the Shipyard Association of Cebu (SAC) supported by the MARINA, marks a jumpstart in shaping the future of the Philippine's Shipyard Industry as a vital component in the development of the over-all maritime industry. In the Convention, the participants have finally adopted the following Resolutions: 1. ShAP will be the single national shipyard association to be recognized by MARINA; 2. Membership to the MARINA-recognized single national shipyard association will be mandatory; and 3. Technical Working Group (TWG) will be created to study and review the current structure and by-laws of the existing ShAP to reflect the general view of the national shipyard association.

MARINA Administrator Marcial Q.C. Amaro III PhD, guest speaker of the event, recognized the Philippines as the number four (4) shipbuilding nation in the world and urged shipyards to commit themselves in continuously advancing the growth and development of the shipbuilding industry. The MARINA Administrator also encouraged the shipyard participants to strengthen solidarity for the purpose of raising the quality and standards in shipyard works in order to claim a deserved top spot of the country in the world of shipbuilding.

During the Convention, presentations on various topics in the Philippines' shipbuilding and ship repair (SBSR) industry were presented by Ramon C. Hernandez of MARINA, Glenn Dela Torre and George Cortell of SAC and Meneleo G. Carlos III, ShAP President. This were tackled and discussed by the active participation of the attendees which finally led to the formulation of the Resolution.

Out of the one hundred eleven (111) MARINA-registered shipyards in the Philippines, ninety seven (97) shipyards with around 176 overall participants including those from the government sector attended in the event. The other participants included officials and representatives from the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers (SONAME), the Department of Trade and Industry's (DTI) Board of Investment (BOI), Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP) and the MARINA.



The First National Shipyard Convention in Cebu City. Seated from left are Mr. Glenn Dela Torre of SAC, Mr. Meneleo G. Carlos III of ShAP, Administrator Marcial Q.C. Amaro III PhD of MARINA, Board of Governors Henry Co of the Board of Investments and First VP Paul Lazaro of the Development Bank of the Philippines.



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