



**EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR EN BANC
MEETING OF THE COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS
HELD ON JANUARY 26, 2016**

Present:

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Commissioner	Al A. Parreño
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**IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST FOR AUTHORITY TO POST
PROJECT OF PRECINCTS (POPs) IN CSV FORMAT IN THE COMELEC
WEBSITE**

This pertains to the Memorandum dated January 13, 2016 of Director Teopisto E. Elnas, Jr., Election and Barangay Affairs Department, as referred by Executive Director Jose M. Tolentino, Jr., relative to the request of Ms. Eden Bolo, Information Technology Officer III/COMELEC Webmaster, Information Technology Department, for authority to post the Project of Precincts (POPs) in CSV format in the COMELEC Website.

The Memorandum of Director Elnas reads:

"This refers to the request for authority of Ms. Eden Bolo of Information and Technology Department (ITD) to post in the Comelec Website the Project of Precincts (POPs) in CSV format.

In keeping with the Open Data Policy of the current administration and as a manifestation of the Commission's thrust of transparency, the Commission, through the ITD has already posted the POPs in connection with the May 09, 2016 National, Local and ARMM Elections.

The undersigned's lack of sufficient knowledge regarding CSV is an admitted limitation. From the Department's perspective, the display of the POPs on a 'display-only' format on the Comelec website should suffice as compliance with said open data policy. To allow the posting of data in other formats may make said data vulnerable to alteration or expose the Commission to such consequences which we cannot hazard to fathom at this time.

Respectfully submitted."

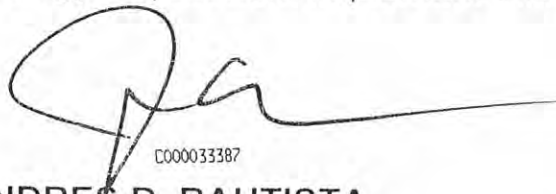
Considering that the display of the Project of Precincts (POPs) on a "display-only" format in the COMELEC website is sufficient compliance with the Commission's thrust of transparency, and that to allow the posting of data in other formats may render said data vulnerable to alteration, the Commission **RESOLVED**, as it hereby **RESOLVES**, to **deny** the request of Ms. Eden Bolo,

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Information Technology Officer III/COMELEC Webmaster, Information Technology Department, for authority to post in the COMELEC website the POPs in CSV format. Hence, to maintain the current display of the POPs on a “display-only” format.

Let the Information Technology Department implement this Resolution.

SO ORDERED.



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Chairman



CHRISTIAN ROBERT S. LIM
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