ATC Resolution No. 41(2023)
Designating Individuals Affiliated with the Communist Party of the Philippines
– New People’s Army (CPP-NPA) Previously Designated as Terrorist Organizations,
Associations, or Groups of Persons as Terrorists dated 7 June 2023

Anti-Terrorism Council

Resolution Number 41 (2023)

DESIGNATING INDIVIDUALS AFFILIATED WITH THE
COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE PHILIPPINES – NEW PEOPLE’S ARMY (CPP-NPA)
PREVIOUSLY DESIGNATED AS TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS,
OR GROUPS OF PERSONS AS TERRORISTS

WHEREAS, it is a declared policy of the State to protect life, liberty, and
property from acts of terrorism, to condemn terrorism as inimical and dangerous
to the national security of the country and to the welfare of the people, and to
make terrorism a crime against the Filipino people, against humanity, and against
the law of nations;

WHEREAS, Section 45 of Republic Act No. 11479 or the "Anti-Terrorism Act of
2020" (ATA) created the Anti-Terrorism Council (ATC) to implement the ATA and
assume the responsibility for the proper and effective implementation of the
policies of the country against terrorism;

WHEREAS, paragraph 3 of Section 25 of the ATA states that “the ATC may
designate an individual, group of persons, organization, or association, whether
domestic or foreign, upon a finding of probable cause that the individual, group
of persons, organization, or association commit, or attempt to commit, or conspire
in the commission of the acts defined and penalized under Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8,
9, 10, 11 and 12";
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WHEREAS, designation plays a critical role in the fight against terrorism and is an effective means to eliminate, prevent or suppress the financing of terrorist acts, the provision of support to entities and persons involved in terrorist acts, the recruitment of members of terrorist groups, and the supply of weapons to terrorists;

WHEREAS, on 9 December 2020, the ATC issued Resolution No. 12 (2020) Designating the Communist Party of the Philippines (CPP) and the New People’s Army also known as Bagong Hukbong Bayan (NPA) as Terrorist Organizations, Associations and/or Groups of Persons;

WHEREAS, based on verified and validated information, sworn statements, and other pieces of evidence gathered by different Philippine law enforcement agencies, the ATC found probable cause, warranting the designation of the following persons for violations of the ATA, particularly Section 4 for committing terrorism; Section 6 for planning, training, preparing, and facilitating the commission of terrorism; Section 10 for recruitment to and membership in a terrorist organization; and Section 12 for providing material support to terrorist organizations or groups organized for the purpose of engaging in terrorism:

1. Sarah Abellon Alikes a.k.a. Sara Abellon/Sara Alikes/Tina/Kaylie/Kylie, Secretary of the Regional White Area Committee (RWAC) of the CPP-NPA’s Ilocos Cordillera Regional Committee (ICRC) for violations of Sections 10 and 12, ATA;
2. Jennifer R. Awingan/Jennifer A. Taggaoa a.k.a. Klara/Leni/Aw, Secretary of the Regional Urban White Area Committee (RUWAC) of the CPP-NPA’s ICRC for violation of Section 10, ATA;

3. Windel Balag-ey Bolinget a.k.a. Tunged, member of the Cordillera White Area Committee (CWAC) of the CPP-NPA and Secretary of its Regional Alliances for violations of Sections 10 and 12, ATA;

4. Stephen Ambucay Taull a.k.a. Steve/Amber/Husto/Teban, First Deputy Secretary of CWAC, RUWAC of the CPP-NPA’s ICRC for violation of Section 10, ATA;

5. Jovencio Sannadan Tangbawan a.k.a. Jonas/Dexter, Commanding Officer of the Kilusang Larangang Gerilya (KLG) of North Abra or the Agustin Begnalen Command of the CPP-NPA for violations of Sections 4 and 10, ATA; and

6. May Rodriguez Vargas-Casilao a.k.a. Gab/Yam/Mic-mic, Plenary Member of the SMRC of the CPP-NPA and a Member of its Regional City and Town Committee (RCTC) for violations of Sections 6 and 10, ATA.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council, by virtue of the powers vested on the ATC pursuant to Section 45 of the ATA, and after finding probable cause, hereby designates as terrorists the following personalities:

1. Sarah Abellon Alikes a.k.a. Sara Abellon/Sara Alikes/Tina/Kaylie/Kylie, Secretary of the Regional White Area Committee (RWAC) of the CPP-NPA’s Ilocos Cordillera Regional Committee (ICRC);
2. **Jennifer R. Awingan/Jennifer A. Taggaoa** a.k.a. Klara/Leni/Aw, Secretary of the Regional Urban White Area Committee (RUWAC) of the CPP-NPA’s ICRC;

3. **Windel Balag-ey Bolinget** a.k.a. Tunged, member of the Cordillera White Area Committee (CWAC) of the CPP-NPA and Secretary of its Regional Alliances;

4. **Stephen Ambucay Tauli** a.k.a. Steve/Amber/Husto/Teban, First Deputy Secretary of CWAC, RUWAC of the CPP-NPA’s ICRC;

5. **Jovencio Sannadan Tangbawan** a.k.a. Jonas/Dexter, Commanding Officer of the KLG or the Agustin Begnalen Command, the armed unit of the NPA in North Abra; and

6. **May Rodriguez Vargas-Casilao** a.k.a. Gab/Yam/Mic-mic, Plenary Member of the SMRC of the CPP-NPA and a Member of its Regional City and Town Committee (RCTC).
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APPROVED, this 7th day of June 2023 in the City of Manila.

[Signature]

RET. CHIEF JUSTICE LUCAS P. BERSAMIN
Executive Secretary
Chairperson
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I hereby approve this Resolution No. 41 and affix my signature in
accordance with the Protocol for the Signing of Anti-Terrorism Council Resolutions
during the New Normal.

EDUARDO M. AÑO
National Security Adviser
Vice-Chairperson

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I hereby attest that this Resolution No. 41 (2023) was duly deliberated,
resolved, and approved by the Council during the 21st ATC Meeting dated 7 June
2023 in the City of Manila.

RICARDO F. DE LEON, PhD
Police Lieutenant General (Ret)
Director General, NICA and
Head, ATC Secretariat