



Official Statement

On the Memorandum of Agreement with the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas

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The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) wishes to clarify that the inquiry during the Senate budget hearing yesterday on whether there were violations in the contract between the agency and Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) was respectfully and duly deferred to the representative of the Commission on Audit (COA).

The COA, in their authority, cited their May 2023 audit report finding that subcontracting is not allowed under the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the PSA and BSP for the printing of the National ID cards.

The PSA echoes the BSP's official statement that it has fully complied with Agency-to-Agency Procurement Guidelines under Republic Act No. 9184 regarding the printing of the National IDs.

As the primary stakeholders in the ongoing implementation of our National ID system, we affirm our alignment with the BSP's commitment to transparency, accountability, and compliance with our procurement laws.

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