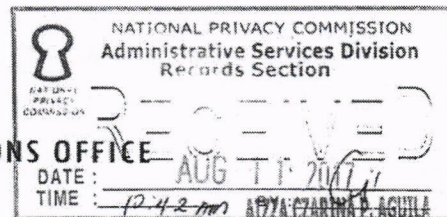




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RAYMUND E. LIBORO
Privacy Commissioner
National Privacy Commission
3rd Floor, Core G, GSIS Bldg.,
Financial Center, Pasay City

Dear Commissioner Liboro:

The Presidential Communications Operations Office (PCOO), in coordination with the Office of the President (OP), the Office of the Executive Secretary (OES), the Office of the Cabinet Secretary (OCS) and the Presidential Management Staff (PMS) respectfully request for clarification on the disclosure of information in relation to Sworn Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Net Worth (SALN) of government officials.

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 2, s. 2016 or the Freedom of Information in the Executive Branch, all public officials are reminded to make their SALN's available for scrutiny, in accordance with existing laws, rules and regulations. However, we have received valid security concerns during our inter-agency meeting on the disclosure of information in the SALNs of government officials to the public. To balance the right to information of the citizenry and the right to security and privacy of government officials, we respectfully request for the following clarifications:

SALN Reference	Remarks/Recommendations
Home Address, Name of Spouse including Agency/Office, Office Address and Position;	Disclosure of this information may expose the Official's family to violence and harassment, specially for officers in law enforcement.
Name of minor children.	
Exact location of real properties, Transfer Certificate Title (TCT) No. and plate number of vehicles.	We propose to redact the exact address and the TCT No., and only disclose the barangay and city/municipality where the property is located including the type description, kind, assessed value, current fair market value, acquisition year, mode of acquisition and acquisition cost. Further, we propose to redact the plate

	number and conduction number of the vehicle/s for security reason.
Business interest and financial connections.	We propose that the exact address and name of the business shall be redacted to avoid harassment and disclose only general information related to business interest and financial connections of the declarant.
ID number and signature.	We propose to redact these information, which form part of sensitive personal information under the Data Privacy Act of 2012.


We request for the issuance of an advisory on the disclosure of SALNs similar to NPS Advisory 2017-02 on disclosure of Personal Data Sheets of Government Personnel.

Should you have questions or clarifications, your Office may contact Atty. Tristan E. De Guzman at telephone number 733-1102 or email at tristan.deguzman@pco.gov.ph.

Hoping for your usual and kind consideration.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,



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