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The Honorable  
**SIXTO S. BRILLANTES, JR.**  
Chairman  
Commission on Elections

Subject: **Report on the Computerized Voters' List**

Dear Chairman Brillantes,

NAMFREL asked its provincial chapters to check the **Computerized Voters' List (CVL)** which will be used in the May 13, 2013 elections to validate its completeness, accuracy, and currency, and, as prescribed in the **COMELEC** calendar, if these are posted at the local **COMELEC** offices. A clean and accurate CVL is important because it assures that only qualified voters are able to cast their votes and to uphold the democratic principle of "one person one vote". The methodology for validation included reviewing and validating the CVLs of at least three clustered precincts of one municipality in the province and subjecting the list to three levels of checks: familiarity, systematic, and ocular inspection of the local elections office.

The following are the summary findings from the reports of 18 provincial and 6 NCR city chapters (a total of 24):

1. The local COMELEC Election Officers provided NAMFREL volunteers copies of the CVL for free, upon presentation of NAMFREL's accreditation papers as its citizens' arm.
2. Twenty (20) of the twenty four (24) local chapters which submitted reports on the Voters' List Monitoring project indicated that YES, the CVLs were posted in the Office of the local Election Officers. One said there were no CVLs posted while we have no information on the three.
3. Two provincial chapters, Northern Samar and Siargao, stated that the CVLs of these provinces were complete, accurate and updated.

4. Eighteen (18) chapters reported the inclusion of deceased persons in the CVL by as much as three hundred forty two (342) names in five municipalities in Ilocos Sur, thirty eight (38) in five barangays in Mandaluyong, twenty eight (28) in two towns in Guimaras; eighteen (18) in Malabon, fifteen (15) in Camarines Sur, thirteen (13) in Mt. Provinces, thirteen (13) in Aklan, and other lower figures for the remaining provinces and cities.
5. Voters who have been based abroad during the last two elections hence whose names should have been excised in the list but are still there: sixteen (16) in Mountain Province, three (3) in Southern Leyte, three (3) in Agusan del Norte, one (1) in Mandaluyong.
6. There are twenty-six (26) centenarian registrants (between 100 to 112 years old) coming from 12 barangays in Mandaluyong City;
7. There are sixty five (65) registrants with missing information on birthdates to which the computer assigned a common birthdate of January 1, 1900, rendering all of them one hundred and thirteen (113) year old registrants, in Mandaluyong City;
8. There are sixty six (66) registrants sharing one address in Mandaluyong City: 10 Kalinisan St., Plainview, Mandaluyong City;
9. On the other hand, there are registered voters whose names are not in the CVL, e.g. 8 voters in Aklan, 2 in Siquijor, 2 in Lanao del Norte, and 1 in Taytay, Rizal;

We have requested our local Chapter Chairpersons to advise / coordinate with their local Election Officers about these findings.

We will provide COMELEC the specific names, precinct number assignments and municipalities in our terminal report so that these can be put in your Watchlist File. It is too late to take any action on this now.

We are looking forward to your comments. We also would like to inform that our chapters expect us to share their reports to the wider public at the soonest possible time.

Sincerely yours,

  
**CORAZON S. DE LA PAZ-BERNARDO**  
National Chairperson