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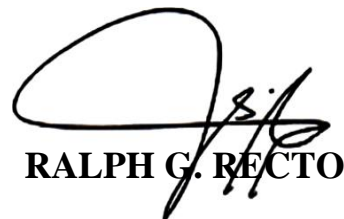
M E S S A G E

My warmest greetings to the participants, guests and speakers to the 1st labor Service and Workers Cooperative Cluster Congress at the Skylight Convention Center in Puerto Princesa City, Palawan on May 21 – 23, 2015.

I regret that I could not join you personally on this event due to my previous commitments. However, having worked with many cooperatives in Lipa City and in Batangas, I understand your plight, especially on the issue of taxation. I also told my staff that since I could not attend your gathering, I am very much eager to meet with the sector and your officials after your event and thresh-out issues confronting the labor service and workers cooperatives and together we will find solutions to your concerns.

Again, I congratulate the organizers, officers and participants to the 1st labor Service and Workers Cooperative Cluster Congress. This congress will certainly contribute to the advancement of the cooperatives sector, and the labor service and workers cooperatives in particular.

Thank you very much and *mabuhay po kayo!*



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