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August 22, 2018

#### PHILIPPINE DEALING & EXCHANGE CORPORATION

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Attention:

Ms. Vina Vanessa S. Salonga

Head - Issuer Compliance and Disclosure Department

Dear Ms. Salonga:

We are pleased to furnish the Philippine Dealing and Exchange Corporation (PDEx) a copy of our disclosure to the Philippine Stock Exchange regarding their request for clarification/confirmation of the news article "HSBC chief moving to PNB" published in Inquirer.net on August 21, 2018.

We trust you will take note accordingly. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

MAILA KATRINA Y. IL

Corporate Secretary

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION SEC FORM 17-C

## CURRENT REPORT UNDER SECTION 17 OF THE SECURITIES REGULATION CODE AND SRC RULE 17.2(c) THEREUNDER

1. Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

Aug 22, 2018

2. SEC Identification Number

AS096-005555

3. BIR Tax Identification No.

000-188-209-000

4. Exact name of issuer as specified in its charter

Philippine National Bank

- Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation Philippines
- 6. Industry Classification Code(SEC Use Only)
- 7. Address of principal office

PNB Financial Center, Pres. Diosdado Macapagal Blvd., Pasay City, Metro Manila Postal Code 1300

8. Issuer's telephone number, including area code (632) 526-3131 to 70/(632) 891-6040 to 70

Former name or former address, if changed since last report Not Applicable

10. Securities registered pursuant to Sections 8 and 12 of the SRC or Sections 4 and 8 of the RSA

Title of Each Class I	Number of Shares of Common Stock Outstanding and Amount of Debt Outstanding
Common Shares	1,249,139,678

11. Indicate the item numbers reported herein

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# Philippine National Bank PNB

PSE Disclosure Form 4-13 - Clarification of News Reports
References: SRC Rule 17 (SEC Form 17-C) and
Section 4.4 of the Revised Disclosure Rules

Subject of the Discl	osure
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Clarification of News Article - HSBC chief moving to PNB

Source	Inquirer.net
Subject of News Report	HSBC chief moving to PNB
Date of Publication	Aug 21, 2018

#### **Clarification of News Report**

We write in response to the letter of Mr. Jose Valeriano B. Zuno today, seeking clarification and/or confirmation of the news article entitled "HSBC chief moving to PNB" published in Inquirer.net on August 21, 2018 in the Philippine Daily Inquirer (on-line edition), reporting in part that:

"Tycoon Lucio Tan-led Philippine National Bank is seen to name veteran banker Jose Arnulfo 'Wick' Veloso, the first Filipino chief of British banking giant HSBC in the Philippines, as its new president and chief executive officer.

Two Inquirer sources privy to the matter said Veloso, 52, would take the place of PNB president Reynaldo Maclang, who will soon turn 80 and has made a decision to retire.

The PNB board, however, is expected to convene to discuss Maclang's retirement and Veloso's appointment in the coming days. Another source said the official announcement on this changing of the guard would likely be made after Maclang's milestone birthday in September.

As mentioned in our response dated August 20, 2018, the PNB Board of Directors has not approved any such retirement of PNB President, Reynaldo A. Maclang. In relation thereto, we advise the Exchange that the PNB Board of Directors has not approved the appointment of any replacement for Mr. Maclang.

We trust the foregoing clarifies. Thank you.

#### Other Relevant Information

None.

Filed on behalf by:

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Designation	Corporate Secretary	