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The Department of Trade and Industry – Strategic Trade Management Office (DTI-STMO) convened the NSC-STMCom Sub-Committees on Technical Reachback, Risk Assessment, and Enforcement on August 5, 7, and 8, 2019, respectively, to establish interagency coordination mechanisms and discuss the members' role in the implementation of the STMA.

During the meeting, the DTI-STMO presented the STMA, its implementation updates and identified the role of each government agency in classifying strategic goods, evaluating registration and license applications, and conducting investigations for criminal violations under the law. Subsequently, each member agency presented their mandates, functions and the form of assistance they can provide to the STMO. Nominated representatives from member government agencies provided their inputs to support the implementation of the STMA.

The meetings concluded with an agreement to draft an Interagency Operations Manual to be signed by the NSC-STMCom. This manual will set the protocols that each government agency will have to follow to effectively implement the STMA. The Sub-Committees on Technical Reachback, Risk Assessment, and Enforcement will be convened again to write the initial draft of the Interagency Operations Manual.

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Attendees of the sub-committee on enforcement



Attendees of the sub-committee on technical reachback

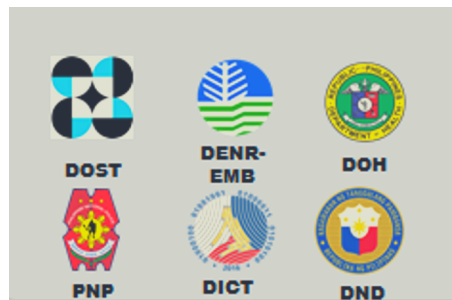
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Risk Assessment



Enforcement



Technical Reachback

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On August 6, 2019, the Strategic Trade Management Office (STMO) convened a roundtable discussion with members of the Technical Working Group on Strategic Trade Facilitation (TWG on STF) at the Makati Diamond Residences. Members from various offices of the Bureau of Customs, Philippine Economic Zone Authority, Clark Development Corporation, Authority of the Freeport Area of Bataan and Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority were present at the meeting.

The meeting was held to discuss and identify existing and qualifying documents for registration and licensing to PEZA, Customs, Investment Promotion Agencies and the STMO. During the meeting, each agency presented their processes as well as their systems use when it comes to export. Some of the decision points from the said meeting were: to establish an inter-agency communication mechanism, to incorporate a field for STMO in the export declaration form, to construct terms and conditions, in line with the creation of the Memorandum of Agreement.



## STMO CONDUCTS OUTREACH FOR CALABARZON ENTERPRISES

The STMO conducted Strategic Trade Management Awareness forum at Hotel Kimberly, Tagaytay City, Cavite last August 13, 2019. This is a continuation of STMO's efforts to promote awareness among industries about the Strategic Trade Management Act. The topics focused on the fundamentals of complying with the STMA: STMA Overview, Commodity Classification, Registration and Authorization, and Internal Compliance Program.

Representatives from multinational companies such as Epson, Cisco, Dyson Electronics, and HGST Philippines Corp. attended the event.

