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#### **NAMFREL announces new Acting National Chairperson**

In a meeting held on June 21, 2022, the National Citizens' Movement for Free Elections (NAMFREL) National Council accepted the June 2 resignation of MR. AUGUSTO C. LAGMAN from NAMFREL and as its National Chairperson. Mr. Lagman joined NAMFREL in 1984 and headed its Operation Quick Count parallel vote tabulation until 2007. He served as a member of the NAMFREL National Council from 1992 to 2006, and from 2012 until 2022. Mr. Lagman was NAMFREL National Chairperson from 2018 to 2022. From 2011 until 2012, Mr. Lagman served as a Commissioner of the Commission on Elections (COMELEC). NAMFREL and its volunteers deeply appreciate Mr. Lagman's decades of service towards free and fair elections in the country through NAMFREL, and wish him all the best as he pursues other advocacies and endeavors.

In the same meeting, the NAMFREL National Council designated **MR. ANGEL S. AVERIA, JR.** as Acting National Chairperson. Lito, as he is known in NAMFREL and the IT community, is a member of the COMELEC Advisory Council representing NAMFREL. Mr. Averia has over 40 years of working experience in the information technology industry, and held various supervisory and management positions in both marketing and technical support. He has experience in project management and consulting, application design, systems integration, systems implementation, project management, business continuity and disaster recovery planning and implementation, and information system security planning and implementation. Mr. Averia joined NAMFREL in 1992 as a volunteer member of its Systems Group, and later on, became a member of the National Council. In NAMFREL, he assisted in setting up systems for election data collection and the conduct of parallel vote counts, and analyzed election results data. ###