28 October 2020

**Cecille Lorenzana–Romero**

*Executive Director*

National Parks Development Committee (NPDC)

Rizal Park, Kalaw Ave, Ermita,

Manila, 1000 Metro Manila

Dear **Executive Director** **Romero:**

This refers to your letter dated 28 October 2020 requesting for comments/inputs on the endorsed letter and proposal of Mr. Mark Lester Santiago of Huawei Technologies Phils. Inc. to conduct technical due diligence for the installation of cell towers for Dito Telecommunity at the identified locations of the Rizal Park Complex.

After careful review of the endorsed documents, we find it fitting that the approval of matters related to the operation and development of the Rizal Park remains with the management of the National Parks Development Committee (NPDC). Under section II (4) of our second Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), the NPDC shall: “Address any issue that may impede the efficient and effective formulation and implementation of the CTMP, such as those concerning the lease of property, sustainability of operations, environmental and socio-economic impacts, and the preservation of culture and heritage”.

However, we maintain our position that the developments within the Rizal Park Flagship Tourism Enterprise Zone (RPCFTEZ) must adhere to its Comprehensive Tourism Master Plan (CTMP) as approved by the TIEZA Board of Directors pursuant to Section 61 (h) of the Republic Act 9593 or the “Tourism Act of 2009” and ratified by the NPDC Board of Directors. Likewise, we advise to elevate the matter to the NPDC Board of Directors as an agenda for discussion during the coming board meeting for policy direction and decision.

For further questions and/or clarifications, your office may contact Mr. Randulf Joseph A. Demol at +63927.277.3757 or through electronic mail at rizalpark.tez.tamd@tieza.gov.ph.

We look forward to continuing our partnership with you in working for the country’s sustainable tourism.

Very truly yours,

**Atty. Karen Mae G. Sarinas-Baydo**

*Assistant Chief Operating Officer*

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