March 28, 2023

MR. NEIL SHIH Managing Director SiGMA

Dear Mr. Shih,

Greetings from the Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation (PAGCOR)!

We are pleased to transmit PAGCOR Chairman and CEO Alejandro H. Tengco's message for SiGMA Group's upcoming iGaming and Emerging Tech Conference Expo 2023 in Manila, as requested by your organization.

Additionally, we are also forwarding CEO Tengco's responses to your interview questions on the Philippine gaming industry, issues on privatization and offshore gaming operations.

We appreciate your effort in reaching out to us and involving our agency in SiGMA's endeavors. We look forward to collaborating with you again soon.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

RICARDO B. FARAON
Vice President for Marketing

PAGCOR

## CEO'S MESSAGE FOR THE SIGMA – IGAMING AND EMERGING TECH CONFERENCE EXPO 2023

## MESSAGE

First of all, I would like to congratulate the SIGMA Group for organizing the iGaming and Emerging Tech Expo slated on July 19 to 22, 2023 at the SMX Convention Center in Manila.

As the world gradually recovers from the impact of the global health crisis, the gaming industry is also experiencing a renaissance of sorts as gaming enthusiasts troop back to the casinos.

The Philippine gaming sector is now gradually bouncing back as COVID-related restrictions ease up. This renewed interest in gaming can be sustained through the aid of latest technologies which will make it more enjoyable, entertaining and accessible.

It is worth noting that it is information technology that kept gaming alive through locked up borders at the peak of the pandemic.

This iGaming and Emerging Tech expo organized by SIGMA could not have come at a better time. With the help of the latest digital trends that will be showcased in SIGMA's expo, the local and guest gaming stakeholders will have the chance to explore new technologies and tap new markets both here and abroad – provided that our regulatory policies are in place, and our business operations maintain their transparency.

We congratulate the SIGMA Group for maintaining its reputation as the world's leading hub for everything involving the iGaming industry. From land-based casinos to even crypto-betting, the conferences that the group organizes bring together operators, providers, Information Technology experts, innovators, entrepreneurs and investors from all over the world.

More importantly, the SIGMA – iGaming and Emerging Tech Conference Expo 2023 will serve as a tourism gateway into the Philippines, promoting the country globally as a top gaming and entertainment destination not only for players but also for potential investors.

So much has changed in the global gaming landscape in the past two years. As one of the country's gaming regulators, we welcome developments that will help the local gaming sector to continuously move forward, blaze a trail and create more opportunities.

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