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February 23, 2024

PHILIPPINE DEALING & EXCHANGE CORPORATION

29th Floor, BDO Equitable Tower 8751 Paseo de Roxas Makati City

Attention: MR. ANTONINO A. NAKPIL

President & CEO

Subject: Amendments to By-Laws

Dear Mr. Nakpil:

We are pleased to furnish the Philippine Dealing & Exchange Corporation (PDEx) a copy of the disclosure of the Bank to the Philippine Stock Exchange, Inc. regarding the amendments to the Amended By-Laws.

We trust you will take note accordingly. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

MICHELLE A. PAHATI-MANUEL Assistant Corporate Secretary

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)

Feb 23, 2024

2. SEC Identification Number

ASO96-005555

3. BIR Tax Identification No.

000-188-209-000

4. Exact name of issuer as specified in its charter

Philippine National Bank

5. Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation

Philippines

- Industry Classification Code(SEC Use Only)
- 7. Address of principal office

PNB Financial Center, President Diosdado Macapagal Boulevard, Pasay City, Metro Manila

Postal Code

1300

8. Issuer's telephone number, including area code

(632) 8526-3131 to 70

9. 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	Number of Shares of Common Stock Outstanding and Amount of Debt Outstanding	
Common Shares	1,525,764,850	

11. Indicate the item numbers reported herein

Item 9

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PSE Disclosure Form 4-4 - Amendments to By-Laws References: SRC Rule 17 (SEC Form 17-C) and Section 4.4 of the Revised Disclosure Rules

Subject of the Disclosure

Amendment of the Amended By-Laws of the Philippine National Bank

Background/Description of the Disclosure

We wish to advise the Exchange that during its meeting held today, February 23, 2024, the PNB Board of Directors approved and confirmed the amendments to Article III, Article IV, Article V and Article VI of the Bank's Amended By-Laws in compliance with the provisions of the Revised Corporation Code of the Philippines and other applicable laws and regulations, subject to the approval of the stockholders, the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas and the Securities and Exchange Commission.

We trust you will take note accordingly.

Date of Approval by Board of Directors	Feb 23, 2024
Date of Approval by Stockholders	ТВА
Other Relevant Regulatory Agency, if applicable	Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas
Date of Approval by Relevant Regulatory Agency, if applicable	ТВА
Date of Approval by Securities and Exchange Commission	ТВА
Date of Receipt of SEC approval	ТВА

Amendment(s)

Article and Section Nos.	From	То
Article III, Section 3.4	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".
Article III, Section 3.5	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".
Article IV, Section 4.2	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".
Article IV, Section 4.3	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".
Article IV, Section 4.4	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".
Article IV, Section 4.7	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".
Article V, Section 5.4	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".
Article V, Section 5.5	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".
Article V, Section 5.8	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".
Article V, Section 5.9	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".
Article V, Section 5.11	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".

Article V, Section 5.12	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".
Article V, Section 5.17	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".
Article VI, Section 6.1	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".
Article VI, Section 6.9	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".
Article VI, Section 6.10	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".
Article VI, Section 6.11	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".	Please refer to the attached "Annex A".

Rationale for the amendment(s)

The proposed amendments will ensure alignment of the Bank's Amended By-Laws with the provisions of the Revised Corporation Code of the Philippines and other applicable laws and regulations, and enhance the Bank's overall corporate governance practices.

The timetable for the effectivity of the amendment(s)

Expected date of filing the amendments to the By-Laws with the SEC	ТВА
Expected date of SEC approval of the Amended By-Laws	ТВА

Effect(s) of the amendment(s) to the business, operations and/or capital structure of the Issuer, if any				
None.				
Other Relevant Information				
None.				

Filed on behalf by:

Name	Ruth Pamela Tanghal
Designation	Corporate Secretary



Corporate Secretary's Office

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CERTIFICATION

I, RUTH PAMELA E. TANGHAL, Corporate Secretary of the Philippine National Bank ("PNB"), a universal banking corporation duly registered under and by virtue of the laws of the Republic of the Philippines with SEC Registration No. ASO96-005555, and with principal office address at the PNB Financial Center, Pres. Diosdado Macapagal Blvd., Pasay City, Metro Manila, on oath state:

- 1. That I have caused this SEC Form 17-C to be prepared on behalf of PNB;
- 2. That I read and understood its contents which are true and correct based on my own personal knowledge and/or on authentic records;
- 3. That the company, PNB, will comply with the requirements set forth in SEC Notice dated May 12, 2021 to effect a complete and official submission of reports and/or documents through electronic mail;
- 4. That I am fully aware that submitted documents which require pre-evaluation and/or payment of processing fee shall be considered complete and officially received only upon payment of the filing fee; and
- 5. That the e-mail account designated by the company pursuant to SEC Memorandum Circular No. 28, s. 2020 shall be used by the company in its online submission to CGFD.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand on

PASAY CITY, Metro Manila, Philippines.

RUTH PAMELA E. TANGHAL Corporate Secretary

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me on affiant exhibited to me her TIN 216-805-132.

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1.	February 23, 2024 Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)	ed)								
2.	SEC Identification Number ASO96-005555 3.	BIR Ta	x Identification No. <u>000-188-209-000</u>							
4.	PHILIPPINE NATIONAL BANK Exact name of registrant as specified in its ch	narter								
5.	PHILIPPINES	6.	Use Only)							
	Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation	Indust	ry Classification Code:							
7.	PNB Financial Center, Pres. Diosdado Macapagal Blvd., Pasay City, Metro Manila 1300 Address of principal office Postal Code									
8.										
9.	Not Applicable Former name or former address, if changed s	ince las	t report							
10.	Securities registered pursuant to Sections 8 RSA	and 12	of the SRC or Sections 4 and 8 of the							
	Title of Each Class		umber of Shares of Common Stock nding and Amount of Debt Outstanding							
	Common Shares		1,525,764,850							
11.	Indicate the item numbers reported herein:	Item 9								
	We wish to advise the Commission th	nat duri	ng its meeting held today, Februar							

We wish to advise the Commission that during its meeting held today, February 23, 2024, the PNB Board of Directors approved and confirmed the following:

- 1. Nominees to the Board of Directors of the Bank for the year 2024-2025, as endorsed by the Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee:
 - 1. Felix Enrico R. Alfiler
 - 2. Florido P. Casuela
 - 3. Edgar A. Cua
 - 4. Chester Y. Luy
 - 5. Estelito P. Mendoza
 - 6. Isabelita M. Papa
 - 7. Sheila T. Pascual
 - 8. Wilfrido E. Sanchez
 - 9. Protacio T. Tacandong

- 10. Eusebio V. Tan
- 11. Lucio C. Tan III
- 12. Michael G. Tan
- 13. Vivienne K. Tan
- 14. Maria Almasara Cyd N. Tuaño-Amador
- 15. Domingo H. Yap

Mr. Edgar A. Cua, Ms. Isabelita M. Papa, Mr. Protacio T. Tacandong, Ms. Maria Almasara Cyd N. Tuaño-Amador and Mr. Domingo H. Yap were nominated as Independent Directors.

 Amendments to Article III, Article IV, Article V and Article VI of the Bank's Amended By-Laws in compliance with the provisions of the Revised Corporation Code of the Philippines and other applicable laws and regulations, subject to shareholder and regulatory approvals.

We trust you will take note accordingly. Thank you.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Regulation Code, the issuer has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

PHILIPPINE NATIONAL BANK

Issuer

February 23, 2024 Date

Ruth Pamen E. Tanghal
Corporate Secretary
Signature and Title*

^{*} Print name and title of the signing officer under the signature. SEC Form 17-C December 2003

PHILIPPINE NATIONAL BANK TABLE OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

Current Provision	Proposed Amendment						
Article III							
Stock and Stock Certificates							

Section 3.4 <u>Closing of Stock and Transfer Book or Fixing of Record Date</u>. The stock and transfer book of the Bank shall be closed for transfers during the seven (7) working days next preceding any meeting of the stockholders and during seven (7) working days next preceding the date upon which dividends are declared payable and during such additional time as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine.

In lieu of closing the stock and transfer book, the Board of Directors may fix a date, not exceeding thirty (30) days preceding the date of any meeting of stockholders or any dividend payment date, as a record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at any such meeting or entitled to receive payment of any dividend, and in such case only such stockholders as shall be stockholders of record on the date so fixed shall be entitled to a notice of, and to vote at any such meeting or to receive payment of such dividend notwithstanding any transfer of any stock on the books of the Bank after such record date.

In all cases, the fixing of the record date shall be in accordance with the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Philippine Stock Exchange.

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In lieu of closing the stock and transfer book, the Board of Directors may fix a date, at least twenty eight (28) days preceding the date of any meeting of stockholders or any dividend payment date, as a record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at any such meeting or entitled to receive payment of any dividend, and in such case only such stockholders as shall be stockholders of record on the date so fixed shall be entitled to a notice of, and to vote at any such meeting or to receive payment of such dividend notwithstanding any transfer of any stock on the books of the Bank after such record date.

In all cases, the fixing of the record date shall be in accordance with the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Philippine Stock Exchange.

Section 3.5. <u>Lost and Destroyed Certificates</u>. Lost or destroyed certificates shall be replaced whenever any person claiming a certificate of stock to be lost or destroyed shall make an affidavit in triplicate as to the ownership of the stock alleged to have been lost or destroyed and the facts which support its loss or destruction, and only after complying with the requirements of the Corporation Code of the Philippines.

The new certificate of stock shall be plainly marked as a duplicate certificate and shall otherwise be of the same tenor as the one alleged to have been lost or destroyed.

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The new certificate of stock shall be plainly marked as a duplicate certificate and shall otherwise be of the same tenor as the one alleged to have been lost or destroyed.

Article IV Stockholders

Section 4.2 <u>Annual Meetings</u>. The annual meeting of the stockholders shall be held at the principal office of the Bank or any other place within Metro Manila as may be determined by the majority of the Board of Directors, on the last Tuesday of April of each year unless such day is a legal holiday, in which case, the business day next following shall be the meeting day for the particular year.

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The annual meetings of stockholders may be held either in person or by way of remote communication such as, but not limited to, videoconferencing, teleconferencing, or other alternative modes of communication that allow the stockholders a reasonable opportunity to participate, and in such manner as the board of directors may approve provided that the same shall be consistent with any regulation as may now or hereafter be imposed by law.

Section 4.3 <u>Special Meetings</u>. Special meetings of the stockholders may be called by the Chairman of the Board of Directors, by the President, by the majority of the Board of Directors, or on the

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The call for special meeting shall be made at least fifteen (15) days in advance and shall specify the time, place and purpose of the meeting and no business other than that specified in the call shall be transacted at such special meeting.

stock of the Bank. Any number of stockholders who hold at least ten percent (10%) or more of the outstanding capital stock of the Bank shall likewise have the right to call for a special stockholders' meeting, subject to the guidelines set by law and relevant regulations as may now or hereafter be imposed.

The call for special meeting shall be made at least twenty eight (28) days in advance and shall specify the time, place and purpose of the meeting and no business other than that specified in the call shall be transacted at such special meeting.

Special meetings of stockholders may be held either in person or by way of remote communication such as, but not limited to, videoconferencing, teleconferencing, or other alternative modes of communication that allow the stockholders a reasonable opportunity to participate, and in such manner as the board of directors may approve provided that the same shall be consistent with any regulations as may now or hereafter be imposed by law.

Section 4.4 Notice of Meeting. Written notice of each regular or special meeting of stockholders, and supporting documents in printed or electronic form, shall be prepared and mailed, or caused to be prepared and mailed by the Secretary to the last known post office address of each stockholder not less than ten (10) days prior to the date set for such meeting, and in addition shall be published or caused to be published by the Secretary for one week daily in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the Philippines. The notice shall specify the place, day and hour of the meeting, and in the case of a special meeting, such notice shall state the purpose of the same. Waiver of such notice may only be made in writing. No notice shall be necessary for any adjourned meeting.

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required by law. Waiver of such notice may only be made in writing. No notice shall be necessary for any adjourned meeting. Attendance by a stockholder at such meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting unless such stockholder's attendance is for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting was not lawfully convened.

In case of postponement of annual meetings, written notice shall be sent to every stockholder in such manner as may be authorized by the Board of Directors, provided it is not inconsistent with law, at least two (2) weeks prior to the scheduled meeting.

Section 4.7 Right to Vote; Proxies. Stockholders entitled to vote at a stockholders' meeting may vote either in person, through remote communication or in absentia, or by proxy the number of shares registered in their respective names in the Stock and Transfer Book of the Bank. Proxies shall be in writing, signed by the stockholder and duly presented to the Secretary for inspection and recorded not later than 5:00 o'clock in the afternoon five (5) calendar days prior to the date of said meeting. Unless otherwise provided in the proxy, it shall be valid only for the meeting for which it is intended. No proxy shall be valid and effective for a period longer than five (5) years at any one time.

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The Board of Directors shall approve the procedure and guidelines to be observed for casting votes through remote communication or in absentia.

Article V **Board of Directors**

Section 5.4 Independent Directors. As defined in Section 38 of the Securities Regulation Code, the General Banking Law of 2000 and the means a person who, apart from his fees and shareholdings, is independent

Section 5.4 Independent Directors. An independent director

Manual of Regulations for Banks of the *Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas*, an independent director means a person who, apart from his fees and shareholdings, is independent of management and free from any business or other relationship which could, or could reasonably be perceived to, materially interfere with his exercise of independent judgment in carrying out his responsibilities as a director in the Bank.

There shall be at least two (2) independent directors or such number of independent directors that constitutes twenty percent (20%) of the members of the Board but in no case less than two (2).

of management and free from any business or other relationship which could, or could reasonably be perceived to, materially interfere with his exercise of independent judgment in carrying out his responsibilities as a director in the Bank, and as may be defined under the law, Securities Regulation Code and its implementing rules and regulations, the General Banking Law of 2000, the Manual of Regulations for Banks of the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas, and rules and regulations issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The Board should have at least three (3) independent directors, or such number as to constitute at least one-third (1/3) of the members of the Board, whichever is higher. The Board shall designate a lead director among the independent directors if the Chairman of the Board is not independent.

Section 5.5. <u>Nomination and Election of Independent Directors</u>. The following rules shall be applied in the nomination of independent director/s:

The Corporate Governance Committee (acting as a Nomination Committee) shall have at least three (3) members, two (2) of whom shall be independent directors. It shall promulgate the guidelines or criteria to govern the conduct of the nomination. The same shall be properly disclosed in the company's Information or Proxy Statement or such other reports required to be submitted to the Commission.

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Section 5.8. <u>Compensation.</u> Directors, as such, shall receive such compensation for their services as may from time to time be fixed by the stockholders subject to the limitations set forth in Section 30 of the

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Section 5.8. <u>Compensation.</u> Directors, as such, shall receive such compensation for their services as may from time to time be fixed by the stockholders subject to the limitations set forth in Section <u>29</u> of the <u>Revised</u> Corporation Code. Each director shall also be entitled to a

Corporation Code. Each director shall also be entitled to a reasonable per diem, as may be determined by the Board.

reasonable per diem, which the President is authorized to fix and/or increase, subject to ratification by the stockholders.

Section 5.9 <u>Regular Meetings</u>. The Board of Directors shall be organized as such immediately after the election of the members thereof in a meeting for which no notice shall be required. Thereafter, the Board of Directors shall hold regular meetings at such particular date, hour or place within the Philippines as the Board may from time to time fix. Directors who cannot physically attend any Board meeting may participate and vote through remote communication, such as videoconferencing, teleconferencing, or other alternative modes of communication.

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Section 5.11 <u>Notice of Meetings</u>. The Secretary shall notify in writing or by telephone each member of the Board of all special meetings, at least three (3) hours before any such meeting. Notice need not be given of regular meetings of the Board of Directors held at times fixed by resolution of the Board. No failure or irregularity to give notice at any regular meeting shall invalidate the same or any proceeding thereat. In case of special meeting, the object thereof need not be stated in the notice.

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Notice of meetings may be sent to all directors through personal delivery, electronic mail, messaging service or such other manner as may hereafter be authorized by law and the Board of Directors. The Notice shall reflect such information as may be required by law.

Section 5.12 Quorum. The Directors shall act only as a Board, and the individual directors shall have no power to act as such. A majority of the directors shall be necessary at all meetings to constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business and every decision of a majority of the quorum duly assembled as a Board shall be valid as a corporate act unless otherwise provided by law. A minority of the Board present at any regular or special meeting shall, in the absence of a quorum, adjourn to a later date, and shall not transact any business until a quorum has been secured.

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<u>Directors attending the meeting and casting votes through remote</u> <u>communication</u>, or electronically or other means as may be allowed by law, shall be deemed present for purposes of determining a quorum.

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In lieu of closing the stock and transfer book, the Board of Directors may fix a date, not exceeding thirty (30) days preceding the date of any meeting of stockholders or any dividend payment date, as a record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at any such meeting or entitled to receive payment of any dividend, and in such case only such stockholders as shall be stockholders of record on the date so fixed shall be entitled to a notice of, and to vote at any such meeting or to receive payment of such dividend notwithstanding any transfer of any stock on the books of the Bank after such record date.

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The annual meetings of stockholders may be held either in person or by way of remote communication such as, but not limited to, videoconferencing, teleconferencing, or other alternative modes of communication that allow the stockholders a reasonable opportunity to participate, and in such manner as the board of directors may approve provided that the same shall be consistent with any regulation as may now or hereafter be imposed by law.

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