

October 12, 2012

Philippine Stock Exchange 3/F Philippine Stock Exchange Plaza Ayala Triangle, Ayala Avenue Makati City

Attention: Ms. Janet A. Encarnacion

Head, Disclosure Department

Gentlemen:

We refer to your letter dated October 11, 2012 requesting for clarification and/or confirmation of the news article entitled "SC junks MVP appeal over foreign ownership in PLDT", posted in the *ABS-CBNnews.com* on October 11, 2012. The article reported in part that:

"MANILA, Philippines (UPDATE) – The Supreme Court affirmed an earlier decision putting to question the more than 60% foreign ownership in Philippine Long Distance Telephone Co. (PLDT)."

We advise that the Company is not in a position to confirm or clarify the news article since we have not been served with any such Supreme Court decision, PLDT not being a party to the Gamboa Case. Nevertheless, our Board of Directors was informed of the Supreme Court's decision in the Gamboa Case, rendered in June 28, 2011 and its implications and is well advised by its legal counsels on the Company's options to protect its business and the interests of its stockholders should such decision be affirmed.

Respectfully yours,

MA. LOURDÉS C. RAUSA-CHAN

Corporate Secretary