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March 8, 2017

**PHILIPPINE DEALING & EXCHANGE CORP.**

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Attention: **Ms. Vina Vanessa S. Salonga**  
*Head, Issuer Compliance and Disclosure Department (ICDD)*

Re: **Clarification of News Report -  
SMIC Set to Spend P73b for Expansion**

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

Please be informed that SM Investments Corporation replied to the Philippine Stock Exchange's request for clarification on the news article entitled "SMIC set to spend P73b for expansion" posted in The Standard (Internet Edition) on March 7, 2017.

See attachment for further information.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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**ELMER B. SERRANO**  
Corporate Secretary

Encl. a/s



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**PHILIPPINE STOCK EXCHANGE**

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Makati City

Attention: **Mr. Jose Valeriano B. Zuño III**  
*OIC - Head, Disclosure Department*

**Ms. Krystal Faith U. Go**  
*Analyst, Disclosure Department*

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We reply to your request for clarification on the news article entitled "SMIC set to spend P73b for expansion" posted in The Standard (Internet Edition) on March 7, 2017. The article reported in part that:

"SM Investments Corp., the holding company of tycoon Henry Sy, allocated P73 billion for 2017 capital expenditures to finance the expansion of its property, retail and banking businesses.

SMIC said in an investors presentation posted on its website the conglomerate earmarked P62.7 billion for property unit SM Prime Holdings Inc. to build new malls, office, hotels and residential units.

The conglomerate also budgeted P5.2 billion for its retail business which will primarily be used to open new stores and renovate existing one and P5 billion for its banking units to be used for branch expansion and IT enhancement projects.

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We confirm the above news article.

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