

## The Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters

## of the Philippines

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## TO: ALL ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS, COUNCIL RECORDERS AND SUPERVISORS FROM: THE GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS OF THE PHILIPPINES SUBJECT: ON STATED MEETINGS, ELECTIONS AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Due to the continuing threat of the pandemic, the officers of the Grand Council of the Philippines will **NOT** be allowing our constituent Councils in this Jurisdiction to conduct face to face stated meetings.

December is fast approaching and we have been getting a lot of inquiries about Stated meetings, elections, installations and activities.

The Grand Council is allowing OFFICIAL Virtual Meetings but it MUST have a Grand Council Officer or Supervisor present. There is to be **NO RITUAL** and **CEREMONIES** during the said Virtual Meeting.

As for the business of elections and installations during December/January stated meetings, the Grand Council gives two (2) options:

- 1. The Local Council can decide to hold-over officers for another year, therefore no more installation ceremony is needed.
- 2. The Local Council can hold an election but the Grand Recorder of the Grand Council and/or his Assistant Grand Recorder will be the ones to host the Stated Meeting and Elections.

If the Council decides on the latter, please contact the Grand Recorder or the Assistant Grand Recorder for details and scheduling.

We understand that the Grand Lodge of the Philippines has opened face to face meetings, but we have agreed to not compel the Companions unnecessary time away from home where the threat of the virus is very real.

We value your health as well as your family. Masonic labour, York Rite in particular, can wait.

For your guidance and cooperation.

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