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RE: Statement on Games of Chance Draft Rules and Regulations

Hagåtña, Guam - The Administration has been made aware that the submission of the draft rules and regulations for Games of Chance at the Liberation Carnival is incomplete.

Every effort was made in good faith to submit the draft rules and regulations to the Speaker's Office, recognizing that the Legislature must still review the draft rules and regulations within a certain timeframe.

The first submission was made by our office on April 5 without the required signatures of the Attorney General, Mayor's Council of Guam, and Director of the Department of Revenue and Taxation (DRT), or their respective authorized representatives. An amended submission was made with the required signatures, however, we were further made aware that the amended submission was not compliant with Public Law 35-4.

"In our haste to deliver draft rules and regulations to bring back Games of Chance for the upcoming and future carnivals, we neglected to include portions that we had already discussed and agreed to between our Administration and the Mayor's Council. We appreciate the patience of Speaker Tina Muña-Barnes' office, and have been working more closely with her so that the Legislature has sufficient time to consider the proposal. I have apologized for our oversight and have assured Speaker Muña-Barnes that corrections will be made and submitted as soon as possible," said Chief of Staff Tony Babauta.

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