

Chapter 5

Selection, Nomination, Appointment and Vacancies to the Position of Chairperson and Co-Chairperson

Selection

The Council shall nominate at least two local chief executives who are ex-officio members and two private sector representatives from whom the President shall select and appoint the Chairperson and Co-Chairperson of the Council, provided that if the Chairperson is from the government sector, the Co-Chairperson shall come from the private sector and vice versa.

The region's nominees for the RDC Chair/Co-Chair shall be submitted to the office of the President by the end of the third month after the holding of the local elections or two weeks after formally convening the Council as a body.

Regional Directors and heads of national government agencies in the region shall not be included as nominees for Chairperson and Co-Chairperson.

Appointment of Chairperson and Co-Chairperson

The President appoints the Chairperson and Co-Chairperson and furnishes the NEDA Secretariat of the appointment thru the Executive Secretary. The NEDA Secretariat furnishes a copy of the appointment paper to the appointed Chairperson and Co-Chairperson.

Vacancies to the Position

In case the position of Chairperson becomes vacant through resignation, retirement, reassignment, removal from office, death or permanent disability, the Co-Chairperson temporarily assumes the Chairmanship until a new Chairperson is appointed by the President pursuant to the established selection procedure as provided herein.

Should the position of the Co-Chairperson become vacant through resignation, retirement, reassignment, removal from office, death, permanent disability, or elevation to the position of Chairperson, the Vice-Chairperson shall discharge the duties of the Co-Chairperson until the new Co-Chairperson is appointed by the President following the selection procedure as provided herein. The selection of a new Co-Chairperson shall be undertaken provided that the remaining term is not less than six months.

If both the positions of Chairperson and Co-Chairperson become vacant through resignation, retirement, reassignment, removal from office, death or permanent disability, the Vice-Chairperson shall temporarily assume the position of the Chairperson until the

new Chairperson and Co-Chairperson are appointed by the President following the established selection procedure as provided herein.

While waiting for the confirmation of the appointments of the Chairperson and Co-Chairperson by the President, the Vice-Chairperson or the NEDA Regional Director temporarily assumes the chairmanship position in the Council.