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SEC Registration Number

UNITED PARAGON MINING

CORPORATION

(Company's Full Name)

QUAD ALPHA CENTRUM,

1 2 5 PIONEER ST MANDALUYON CITY

(Business Address: No., StreetCity / Town / Province)

Mr. Gilbert V. Rabago
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SEC FORM 17-C

CONSENT LETTER FOR MR. ALFREDO C. RAMOS
FROM NATIONAL BOOK DEVELOPMENT BOARD

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Month Day
Fiscal Year

FORM TYPE

Month Day
Annual Meeting

Secondary License Type, If Applicable

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Amended Articles Number / Section

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Domestic Foreign

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
SEC FORM 17-C
CURRENT REPORT UNDER SECTION 17
OF THE SECURITIES REGULATION CODE
AND SRC RULE 17.2(c) THEREUNDER**

1. August 04, 2016
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)
2. SEC Identification Number: 40938
3. BIR Tax Identification No. 041-000-169-117-V
4. UNITED PARAGON MINING CORPORATION
Exact name of issuer as specified in its charter
5. Philippines..... 6. (SEC Use Only)

Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation Industry Classification Code:
7. 5th Floor, Quad Alpha Centrum, 125 Pioneer Street, Mandaluyong City - 1550
Address of principal office Postal Code
8. (63 2) 636-5133 to 5134
Issuer's telephone number, including area code
9. 7th Floor, Quad Alpha Centrum, 125 Pioneer Street, Manadaluyong City - 1550
Former name or former address, if changed since last report
10. Securities registered pursuant to Sections 8 and 12 of the SRC or Sections 4 and 8 of the RSA


Title of Each Class	Number of Shares of Common Stock Outstanding and Amount of Debt Outstanding
Common Stock	261,314,797,080

11. Indicate the item numbers reported herein: (Items 9):

Please find the attached, the Consent Letter by the National Book Development Board for Mr. Alfredo C. Ramos, in accordance with the Section 20 of the Securities Regulation Code (SRC) and its Implementing Rules & Regulations, as amended publicly listed companies are required to certify in the Information Statements given to stockholders that none of their directors or officers are connected with any government agencies or its instrumentalities. This requirement is based on the provisions of Sec. 7 of RA 6713 and Rule IX of its Implementing Rules & Regulations, Rule XVIII of the Revised Civil Service Rules, and Office of the President Memorandum Circular No. 17, series of 1986.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Regulation Code, the SEC Code of Corporate Governance and the Registrant's Manual on Corporate Governance, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.



IRIS MARIE U. CARPIO-DUQUE
Corporate Secretary /
Compliance Officer /CIO-Alternate

Date: August 04, 2016

29 July 2016

Ms. IRIS MARIE U. CARPIO-DUQUE

Corporate Secretary

United Paragon Mining Corporation
5th Floor Quad Alpha Centrum Bldg.
125 Pioneer Street, Mandaluyong City

Dear **Ms. Duque**:

In response to your letter dated July 20 2016 concerning a request to certify the involvement of Mr. Alfredo Ramos with the National Book Development Board, our office confirms that Mr. Ramos is a member of the NBDB Governing Board as a representative of booksellers in the Philippine book publishing industry. As such, we do not perceive any conflict between his function as Chairman and President of the United Paragon Mining Corporation and Vulcan Industrial & Mining Corporation with his responsibilities as a governor of the NBDB. Furthermore, NBDB consents to his continued service with the NBDB concurrent with his continued engagement with the above-mentioned companies.

The NBDB was created by the State to “promote the continuing development of the book publishing industry, with the active participation of the private sector, to ensure an adequate supply of affordable, quality-produced books not only for domestic but also for the export market” (RA8047). Please see the attached powers and functions of the members of the Governing Board as they are outlined in The Book Publishing Industry Development Act.

For your information.

Sincerely,


FLOR MARIE STA. ROMANA-CRUZ
Chair

Cc: Records
Att: RA 8047, Sec. 8, Powers and Functions of the Governing Board

Republic Act 8047
“The Book Publishing Industry Development Act”

SECTION 8. Powers and Functions.

The Governing Board shall have the following powers and functions:

- a. assume responsibility for carrying out and implementing the policies, purposes and objectives provided for in this Act;
- b. formulate plans and programs as well as operational policies and guidelines for undertaking activities relative to promoting book development, production and distribution as well as an incentive scheme for individual authors and writers;
- c. formulate policies, guidelines and mechanisms to ensure that editors, compilers and especially authors are paid justly and promptly royalties due them for reproduction of their works in any form and number and for whatever purpose;
- d. conduct or contract research on the book publishing industry, including monitoring, compiling and providing data and information on book production;
- e. provide a forum for interaction among private publishers, and, for the purpose, establish and maintain liaison with all segments of the book publishing industry;
- f. ask the appropriate government authority to ensure effective implementation of the National Book Development Plan;
- g. promulgate rules and regulations for the implementation of this Act in consultation with other agencies concerned, except for Section 9 7 hereof on incentives for book development, which shall be the concern of appropriate agencies involved;
- h. approve with the concurrence of the Department of Budget and Management (DBM), the annual and supplemental budgets submitted to it by the Executive Director;
- i. own, lease, mortgage, encumber or otherwise real and personal property for the attainment of its purposes and objectives;

- j. enter into any obligation or contract essential to the proper administration of its affairs, the conduct of its operations or the accomplishments for its purposes and objectives;
- k. receive donations, grants, legacies, devices and similar acquisitions which shall form a trust fund of the Board to accomplish its development plans on book publishing;
- l. import books or raw materials used in book publishing which are exempt from all taxes, customs duties and other charges in behalf of persons and enterprises engaged in book publishing and its related activities duly registered with the Board;
- m. promulgate rules and regulation governing the manner in which the general affairs of the board are to be exercised and amend, repeal, and modify such rules and regulations whenever necessary;
- n. recommend to the President of the Philippines nominees for the positions of the Executive Officer and Deputy Executive Officer of the Board;
- o. adopt rules and procedures and fix the time and place for holding meetings; provided, that at least one (1) regular meeting shall be held monthly;
- p. conduct studies, seminars, workshops, lectures, conferences, exhibits and other related activities on book development such as indigenous authorship, intellectual property rights, use of alternative materials for printing, distribution and others; and
- q. exercise such other powers and perform such other duties as may be required by law.