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Ms. Maria Antonia Yulo Loyzaga is the current Secretary of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources of the Philippines. From 2017-2022, she was the President of the National Resilience Council (NRC), a science and technology-based public-private partnership aimed at the implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, the Sustainable Development Goals, and the Paris Climate Agreement. Ms. Loyzaga is a member of the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR)'s Asia Pacific Science Technology Advisory Group

(APSTAG) and a Director of the UNDRR's Alliance for Disaster Resilient Societies (ARISE) Philippines initiative, where NRC leads the Disaster Risk Management Strategies work theme. She serves on the Science Advisory Board of the Integrated Research on Disaster Risk International Center of Excellence-Taipei (IRDR ICoE) and is a governing board member of the Future Earth Global Secretariat Hub (GSH) Taipei. She is also the Vice Chairperson of Forest Foundation Philippines. She was a Trustee of the Zuellig Family Foundation, Manila Observatory, Ateneo de Manila University, and Ateneo de Naga University. She was also the Executive Director of the Manila Observatory from 2007-2016. During this period, she was appointed to the Department of Science and Technology (DOST)'s Committee on Space Technology Applications and to the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) National Commission's Committee on Science and Technology. In 2013, she was recognized by the Armed Forces of the Philippines for her contributions to the Philippine military's emergency disaster response operations during Super Typhoon Haiyan. Ms. Loyzaga holds a Master of Arts degree in Government from Georgetown University and Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from the Ateneo de Manila University.

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