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Congratulations to the Philippine Center for Islam and Democracy (PCID) for another hugely success of the interfaith dialogues, themed “A COMMON WORD TOWARDS COMMON PEACE”, in celebration of the World Interfaith Harmony Week (WIHW) held simultaneously in 4 major cities: Quezon City for the National Capital Region, Cebu City for the Visayas, Zamboanga City for Region 9, and Iligan City for Region 10, on February 4, 2013. Together with the Magbassa Kita Foundation and Noorus Salam, PCID has taken further the advocacy for harmony and understanding among all peoples of faith and spirituality.

Since 2009, I have this full trust with PCID, which has been the first to introduce A Common Word in the Philippines and had been engaging the Ulama to champion A Common Word, through its commendable efforts in organizing interfaith dialogues in many parts of the country to popularize and spread the message--Love God, Love your Neighbor. Using “A Common Word” as a framework, PCID facilitated a series of dialogs between Christian and Muslim leaders to harness interfaith initiatives towards peace and development in Mindanao, and I am proud to say that the National Ulama Conference of the Philippines has been an active partner of this divine advocacy.

In this light, I am expressing the full endorsement of this activity, organized by PCID in celebration of the World Interfaith Harmony Week 2013.

*The mercy of Allah and His blessings be with us all.*



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