



Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Finance  
**INSURANCE COMMISSION**  
1071 United Nations Avenue  
Manila



Legal Opinion (L.O.) No.	LO-2017-07
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**ATTY. VINA B. SALONGA**

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**SUBJECT: Power of a Corporation to Act As An Insurance Agent**

**Dear Atty. Salonga:**

This is with reference to your letter dated 12 July 2017 in behalf of LausAuto Group requesting for legal opinion on whether or not there is a need to amend the existing Articles of Incorporation of the twenty-three (23) corporations under the LausAuto Group for the said corporations to be licensed as insurance agents.

By way of background, you stated that the twenty-three (23) corporations under the LausAuto Group are **primarily engaged in the business of automotive dealership**. According to you, these corporations will be applying for a license to act as insurance agents before this Commission.

In your letter, you mentioned that the Articles of Incorporation of these corporations include either of the following in its respective purpose clauses, to wit:

- a) "to exercise such other powers as may be essential or necessary to carry out its purpose or purposes stated in the articles of incorporation";  
or
- b) "that the corporations shall have the express powers of a corporation as prescribed for under Section 36 of the Corporation Code of the Philippines".