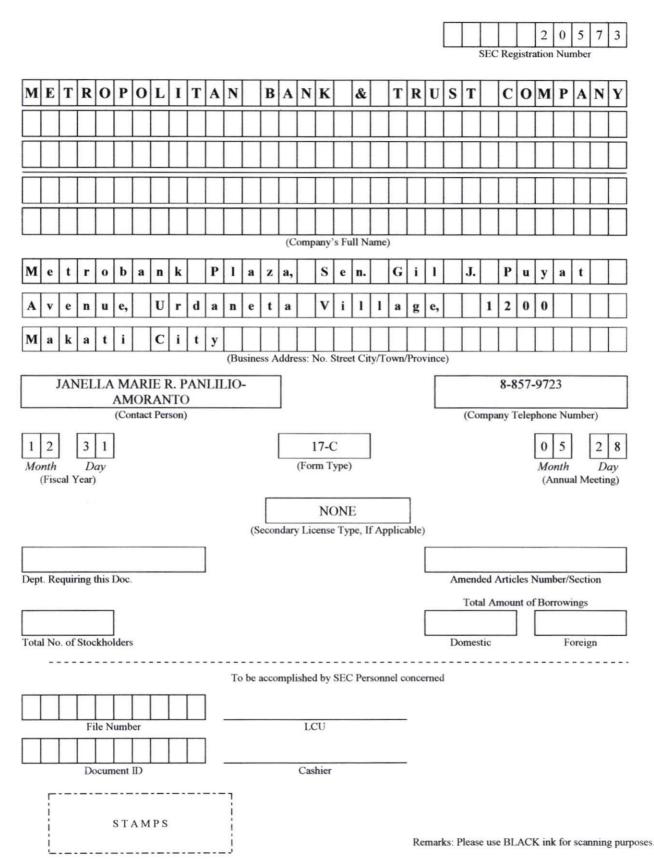
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION SEC FORM 17-C

CURRENT REPORT UNDER SECTION 17 OF THE SECURITIES REGULATION CODE AND SRC RULE 17.2 (C) THEREUNDER

1. February 24 2022 Date of Report

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- 2. SEC Identification Number 20573
- 3. BIR Tax Identification No. 000-477-863-000
- 4. METROPOLITAN BANK & TRUST COMPANY Exact name of issuer as specified in its charter
- 5.Manila6.(SEC Use Only)Province, country or other
jurisdiction of incorporationIndustry Classification Code:
- 7. Metrobank Plaza, Sen. Gil Puyat Ave., Urdaneta Village Makati City Address of principal office Postal Code
- 8. (02) 8-898-8000 Issuer's telephone number, including area code
- 9. N.A. 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
Common Shares	4,497,415,555

11. Indicate the item numbers reported herein:

Item no. 9 – Other Events

Please be advised of the following approvals made by the Board of Directors of Metropolitan Bank & Trust Company, at its regular meeting held on February 23, 2022:

- 1. New dividend policy of increasing the regular cash dividends from P1.00 to P1.60 per share for the year, payable on a semi-annual basis at P0.80 per share. In addition, a special cash dividend of P1.40 per share was also declared for a total of P3.00 per share for the year.
- 2. Declaration of a) Php 0.80/share regular and b) Php 1.40/share special cash dividend from the Bank's Unrestricted Retained Earnings as of December 31, 2021 to be paid to all stockholders as of March 17, 2022, Record Date, with March 31, 2022 as the Payment Date.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Regulation Code, the issuer has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

METROPOLITAN BANK & TRUST COMPANY Issuer

By:

JANEL **6-AMORANTO** Assistant Corporate Secretary