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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

SEC FORM 17-C

CURRENT REPORT UNDER SECTION 17 OF THE SECURITIES REGULATIONS CODE (SRC) AND SRC RULE 17(a)-1(b)(3) THEREUNDER

1.	April 29, 2024	
	Date of Report (Date of earliest even	t reported)
2.	34218	3. <u>000-153-610-000</u>
	SEC Identification Number	BIR Tax Identification Number
4.	AYALA CORPORATION	
	Exact Name of registrant as specified	d in its charter
5.	PHILIPPINES	6. (SEC Use Only)
O.	PHILIPPINES Province, country or other jurisdiction incorporation	
7.	37F to 39F, Ayala Triangle Garden cor Makati Avenue, Makati City	ns Tower 2, Paseo de Roxas 1226
	Address of principal office	Postal code
8.	(02)7908-3000	
	Registrant's telephone number, inclu	ding area code
9.	N/A Former name or former address, if ch	nanged since last report
10.	Securities registered pursuant to Sec	ctions 4 and 8 of the SRC
	Title of Each Class	Number of Shares of Common Stock
		Outstanding and Amount of Debt Outstanding
	Common Shares	619,807,425 shares
	Preferred A Series 1 Shares Preferred B Series 2 Shares	5,244,515 shares
	Voting Preferred Shares	30,000,000 shares 200,000,000 shares
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to be	Pursuant to the requirements of the S signed on its behalf by the undersigned	ecurities Regulations Code, the registrant has duly caused this repor hereunto duly authorized.
		AYALA CORPORATION
		Registrant

Jose Martin C. Lopez
Head – Investor Relations

April 29, 2024

Date:

^{*} Print name and title of the signing officer under the signature.



April 29, 2024

Securities and Exchange Commission

17/F SEC Headquarters, 7907 Makati Avenue Barangay Bel-Air, Makati City

Attention: Director Vicente Graciano P. Felizmenio, Jr.

Director, Markets and Securities Regulation Department

The Philippine Stock Exchange, Inc.

6/F PSE Tower 5th Avenue corner 28th Street, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City

Attention: Ms. Alexandra D. Tom Wong

Officer-In-Charge, Disclosure Department

Philippine Dealing and Exchange Corporation

29th Floor, BDO Equitable Tower 8751 Paseo de Roxas, Makati City 1226

Attention: Atty. Suzy Claire R. Selleza

Head, Issuer Compliance and Disclosure Department

Mesdames/Gentlemen:

Please be informed that Ayala Corporation filed a disclosure in relation to the Philippine Stock Exchange's request for a news clarification on the article entitled "Steady course: Ayala maintains P65 billion profit goal while planning strategic divestments", which appeared in Bilyonario.com on April 29, 2024. The relevant portion of the article is quoted below:

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He vowed to complete this year Ayala's P50 billion divestment plan, which started in 2022. According to Consing, Ayala wants to dedicate capital to businesses that, over time, will reach the same scale as its four core assets: Bank of the Philippine Islands, Ayala Land, Globe Telecom, and ACEN.

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Ayala is set to refinance P19 billion in debts due this year and plans to refinance another P10 billion later in the year for debts due first quarter of 2025, Larrazabal said. How those debts will be refinanced is yet to be decided, he said."

Ayala wishes to clarify that its medium-term target is to reach P65 billion in core net income by 2026. Additionally, its target of generating P50 billion in aggregate proceeds from divestment activities started in 2021. On refinancing, it plans to refinance P29 billion in maturing obligations in 2024 and early 2025.

Ayala confirms the information in the rest of the sections of the article quoted by the PSE.

Very Truly Yours,

Jose Martin C. Lopez

Head, Investor Relations

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

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Apr 29, 2024

2. SEC Identification Number

34218

3. BIR Tax Identification No.

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4. Exact name of issuer as specified in its charter

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11. Indicate the item numbers reported herein

Item 9

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PSE Disclosure Form 4-13 - Clarification of News Reports References: SRC Rule 17 (SEC Form 17-C) and Section 4.4 of the Revised Disclosure Rules

Subject of the Disclosure

Clarification of news article entitled, "Ayala sets core net income goal of P65b by 2026 on units' growth"

Source	Bilyonario.com
Subject of News Report	Steady course: Ayala maintains P65 billion profit goal while planning strategic divestments
Date of Publication	Apr 29, 2024

Clarification of News Report

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Other Relevant Information

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