

ABOLISHING THE PRESIDENTIAL ANTI-SMUGGLING TASK FORCE AND THE TASK FORCE ON SUGAR SMUGGLING

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WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 32 dated October 26, 1998 created the Task Force on Sugar Smuggling under the Presidential Anti-Organized Crime Commission (PAOCC) to investigate and prosecute sugar smuggling;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 45 dated December 3, 1998 created the Presidential Anti-Smuggling Task Force in the Office of the President to investigate and prosecute crimes involving large scale smuggling and other frauds upon customs and providing measures to expedite seizure proceedings;

WHEREAS, the functions of the Task Force on Sugar Smuggling and the Presidential Anti-Smuggling Task Force could now be undertaken by the existing agencies of the government;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH EJERCITO ESTRADA, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Abolition of the Presidential Anti-Smuggling Task Force and the Task Force on Sugar Smuggling. — The Presidential Anti-Smuggling Task Force created pursuant to Executive Order No. 45 issued on December 3, 1998 and the Task Force on Sugar Smuggling created pursuant to Executive Order No. 32 issued on October 26, 1998 are hereby abolished.

SECTION 2. Transfer of Functions. — The functions of the Presidential Anti-Smuggling Task Force and Task Force on Sugar Smuggling shall be performed by the appropriate government agencies of the government such as the Bureau of Customs, National Bureau of Investigation and Economic Intelligence Investigation Bureau pursuant to their respective charters.

SECTION 3. Transfer of Funds and Equipment of Abolished Task Forces. — The remaining funds and equipment of the Presidential Anti-Smuggling Task Force and the Task Force on Sugar Smuggling shall be transferred to the Presidential Anti-Organized Crime Commission.

SECTION 4. Repealing Clause. — All orders, issuances, rules and regulations, or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. — This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Adopted: 03 Sept. 1999

BY THE PRESIDENT:

(SGD.) RONALDO B. ZAMORA
Executive Secretary

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