

AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 43 (S. 2011) ENTITLED "PURSUING OUR SOCIAL CONTRACT WITH THE FILIPINO PEOPLE THROUGH THE REORGANIZATION OF THE CABINET CLUSTERS"; TO DESIGNATE THE DE...

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 07, October 14, 2016

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WHEREAS, EO No. 43 (s. 2011) reorganized the Cabinet into five (5) Clusters, namely: (1) Good Governance and Anti-Corruption; (2) Human Development and Poverty Reduction; (3) Economic Development; (4) Security, Justice and Peace; and (5) Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation;

WHEREAS, Section 9 of EO No. 43 provided that the Executive Secretary shall be the Chairperson of the Security, Justice and Peace Cluster;

WHEREAS, Section 3 of EO No. 99 (s. 2012) included the Cabinet Secretary as member of all the Cabinet Clusters;

WHEREAS, the Department of National Defense (DND) has the mandate to ensure national peace and security, protect Philippine sovereignty, and uphold the territorial integrity of the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to designate the DND Secretary as Chairperson of the Security, Justice and Peace Cluster in order to ensure that the thrust of the Government to suppress and prevent lawless violence, and win the fight against crimes, particularly illegal drugs and corruption is achieved;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and existing laws, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Section 9 of EO No. 43 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 9. Security, Justice and Peace. The Security Cluster shall ensure the preservation of national sovereignty and the rule of law; focus on the protection and promotion of human rights and the pursuit of a just, comprehensive, and lasting peace. In particular, the Security Cluster shall pursue the following goals:

- Protecting our national territory and boundaries;
- Attaining a just and lasting peace;
- Ensuring the welfare of the Overseas Filipino Workers;
- Strengthening the rule of law;
- Institutionalizing an efficient and impartial justice system that delivers equal justice to the rich and poor; and
- Advancing and protecting human rights.

The Cluster shall be composed of the following:

Chair: Secretary, Department of National Defense

Members: The Executive Secretary
Cabinet Secretary
Secretary, Department of the Interior and Local Government
Secretary, Department of Foreign Affairs
Secretary, Department of Justice
National Security Adviser
Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process

Secretariat: National Security Council"

SECTION 2. Repealing Clause. All other issuances or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

SECTION 3. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 14th day of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Sixteen.

(Sgd.) RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE

By the President:

(Sgd.) SALVADOR C. MEDIALDEA
Executive Secretary

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