CREATING THE PPA-COTABATO PORT SERVICES (PPA-CPS)

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To ensure peaceful and continuous operations of the cargo handling services at the Port of Cotabato and PKS Private Port, both in Cotabato City, and in the exercise of the inherent functions of the Authority to directly provide and operate cargo handling and related services as prescribed by Presidential Decree No. 857, there is hereby created the PPA-Cotabato Port Services (PPA-CPS).

The PPA-CPS shall, henceforth, provide and operate the cargo handling services at the government wharf of Cotabato City and PKS Private Port, with powers, functions and duties as are or may be necessary to enable it to carry out its purposes, subject to the following guidelines:

1. Ensure the continuous and uninterrupted delivery of vital cargo handling services in a more efficient manner;

2. Utilize the present labor force under the same terms and conditions prevailing at the time of the effectivity of this Order and observe all labor laws, rules and regulations;

3. Collect at existing rates and amount, such charges for services rendered;

4. Disburse funds to finance the necessary expenses of operations in accordance with the system prescribed by the Authority;

5. Inventory cargoes received and still in the custody of the operator as of takeover date;

6. Inventory the cargo handling equipment, gears, tools and other property of the operator;

7. Inventory cargo records and claims;

8. Inventory unused forms and supplies which can be used for the takeover; and

9. Inventory office and field personnel.

The management, supervision and control of the PPA-CPS shall be under the Acting Port Manager of PMO Cotabato to be complemented by PPA officials/employees as the General Manager, Port District Manager, or Port Manager may hereafter designate.

This Order takes effect immediately and shall remain in force unless otherwise revoked, shortened or extended as circumstances may warrant; provided however, that when there is no more need for such Special Takeover Unit (STU), the cargo handling services shall be turned over to the private sector.

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