

ABOLISHING THE PRESIDENTIAL ANTI-ORGANIZED CRIME TASK FORCE (PAOCTF) AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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WHEREAS, the Presidential Anti-Organized Crime Task Force (PAOCTF) was created by virtue of Executive Order No. 8 dated July 22, 1998 as amended by Executive Order No. 295 dated September 28, 2000 to investigate and cause the prosecution of criminal syndicates and their protectors;

WHEREAS, under the Administrative Code of 1987, the President has the continuing authority to reorganize the Office of the President and to transfer functions from one department or agency to another.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. Abolition of PAOCTF - The PAOCTF created under Executive Order No. 8 dated July 22, 1998 (EO No. 8) as amended by Executive Order No. 295 dated September 28, 2000 (EO No. 295) is hereby abolished and EO No. 8 and EO No. 295 are hereby amended accordingly.

Section 2. Pending Cases - All criminal cases instituted by the PAOTCF pending before the Department of Justice or the courts, and other cases undergoing investigation shall be handled and monitored by the Deputy Chief for Administration (DCA) of the Philippine National Police.

Section 3. Referred Cases - All other criminal cases referred to the Office of the DCA shall be investigated and acted upon accordingly.

Section 4. Equipment and Records - All equipment, properties, documents, and records of the PAOCTF shall be turned over to the Office of the DCA,

Section 5. Budget - The balance of the budget of the PAOCTF as appropriated under Republic Act No. 8760 as re-enacted shall continue to be used for the purpose mentioned in Sections 2 and 3 of this Executive Order.

Section 6. Rules and Regulations - The Office of the DCA shall formulate rules and regulations for the implementation of this Executive Order subject to the approval of the President.

Section 7. Repealing Clause - All orders, rules, regulations and other issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 8. Effectivity- This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon approval

Adopted: 16 Apr. 2001

BY THE PRESIDENT:

(SGD.) RENATOS. DE VILLA
Executive Secretary

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