

CREATING TWO SEPARATE OFFICES, THE INTELLIGENCE GROUP AND THE ENFORCEMENT GROUP, FROM THE INTELLIGENCE AND ENFORCEMENT GROUP IN THE BUREAU OF CUSTOMS

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WHEREAS, the Intelligence and Enforcement Group of the Bureau of Customs gathers intelligence information related to customs and economic activities; conducts internal inquiry and investigation; and exercise police authority;

WHEREAS, the demands of raising much-needed revenues require new approaches for customs intelligence and enforcement work; and greater flexibility and effectiveness can be achieved by having separate intelligence and enforcement groups;

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 17 of the Constitution provides that the President shall have control and supervision of all executive departments, bureaus, and offices;

WHEREAS, PD 1772, amending PD 1416, expressly grants the President the continuing authority to reorganize the National Government, including the power to create, amend, change, or otherwise modify their powers, functions and authorities;

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. Creation. Two separate offices from the Intelligence and Enforcement Group (IEG) of the Bureau of Customs (BOC) are hereby created and shall be known as the Intelligence Group and the Enforcement Group (hereinafter abbreviated IG and EG, respectively, for brevity).

SECTION 2. Composition. The IG and EG shall each be headed by a deputy commissioner, the Deputy Commissioner for Intelligence and Investigation (DC-II) and the Deputy Commissioner for Enforcement and Security (DC-ES), who shall be both appointed by the President of the Philippines.

The main services under the IG and EG shall be the Customs Intelligence and Investigation Service (CIIS) and Enforcement and Security Service (ESS), respectively.

The technical and support staff shall primarily be drawn from existing personnel of the IEG.

SECTION 3. Implementing Authority. Consistent with the principles of economy, efficiency, and effectiveness, the DC-II and DC-ES may recommend to the Commissioner of Customs organizational enhancements for their respective offices, subject to the evaluation of the Department of Finance (DOF) and the Department of Budget and Management (DBM).

SECTION 4. Appropriations. Funding shall come from the available funds of the Bureau of Customs (BOC) and subsequent appropriations shall be incorporated into the budget proposals, subject to existing accounting and auditing laws and procedures.

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

Adopted: 25 May 2009

(SGD.) GLORIA M. ARROYO
President of the Philippines

BY THE PRESIDENT:

(SGD.) EDUARDO R. ERMITA
Executive Secretary

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