

DIVIDING REGION IV INTO REGION IV-A AND REGION IV-B, TRANSFERRING THE PROVINCE OF AURORA TO REGION III AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 103, May 17, 2002

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WHEREAS, Article X, Section 4 of the Constitution provides that the President shall exercise general supervision over local government units;

WHEREAS, the administrative regions were established to promote efficiency in the Government, accelerate social and economic development and improve public services;

WHEREAS, to further accelerate the social and economic development of the provinces and cities comprising Region IV and improve the delivery of public services, there is a need to divide Region IV and transfer the Province of Aurora to Region III.

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. Region IV is hereby divided into Region IV-A and Region IV-B.

SECTION 2. Region IV-A shall be known as CALABARZON and shall be composed of the following provinces and cities:

a. Provinces

- i. Batangas
- ii. Cavite
- iii. Laguna
- iv. Quezon
- v. Rizal

b. Cities

- i. Antipolo City
- ii. Batangas City
- iii. Calamba City
- iv. Cavite City
- v. Lipa City
- vi. Lucena City
- vii. San Pablo City
- viii. Tagaytay City
- ix. Tanauan City
- x. Trece Martires City

SECTION 3. Region IV-B shall be known as MIMAROPA and shall be composed of the following provinces and cities:

a. Provinces

- i. Marinduque
- ii. Mindoro Occidental
- iii. Mindoro Oriental
- iv. Palawan
- v. Romblon

b. Cities

- i. Calapan City
- ii. Puerto Princesa City

SECTION 4. The Province of Aurora is hereby transferred to and shall form part of Region III.

SECTION 5. The Department of the Interior and Local Government is hereby directed to supervise the division of Region IV into Region IV-A and Region IV-B and the transfer of the Province of Aurora to Region III.

SECTION 6. All orders, rules, regulations and issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon approval.

City of Manila, May 17, 2002.

(SGD.) GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO

By the President:

(SGD.) AVELINO J. CRUZ, JR.
OIC, Office of the Executive Secretary

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