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This Order shall apply to areas of ASTI's operation relevant to the above-mentioned functions. The payment of personal services including night differential and overtime services is hereby authorized and shall be charged against ASTI-GAA subject to pertinent accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

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Adopted: 30 December 2010

(SGD.) MARIO G. MONTEJO
Secretary

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