

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 20

FURTHER AMENDING SECTIONS 1 AND 4 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 309, S. 1987,
ENTITLED "REORGANIZING THE PEACE AND ORDER COUNCIL"

WHEREAS, with the enactment of Republic Act 6975, otherwise known as the "Department of the Interior and Local Government Act of 1990", the Philippine National Police (PNP) has been created in lieu of the former PC/INP, while the National Police Commission (NAPOLCOM) was reorganized, with the Secretary of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) as ex-officio Chairman of the new Commission;

WHEREAS, the aforementioned organizational changes have altered the composition and structure of the Peace and Order Council (POC), such that further amendment of Executive Order No. 309, s. 1987, as amended by Executive Order No. 317, s. 1988, is again imperative, to conform with the provisions of Republic Act 6975;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Executive Order No. 309, as amended by Executive Order No. 317, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"Section 1. Reorganization of the Peace and Order Council. The Peace and Order Council is hereby reorganized on the national, regional, provincial, city and municipal levels of government to be constituted as follows:

(a) The National Peace and Order Council (NPOC) shall be composed of the following:

- The Secretary of the Interior and Local Government as Chairman;
- The Secretary of National Defense as Vice-Chairman;
- The Secretary of Justice;
- The Secretary of Social Welfare and Development;
- The Secretary of Public Works and Highways;
- The Secretary of Trade and Industry;
- The Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources;
- The Press Secretary;

- The Director of the National Security Council;
- The Director of the National Bureau of Investigation;
- The Vice-Chairman and Executive Officer of the National Police Commission (NAPOLCOM);

The Chairman of the Commission on Human Rights;

- The Executive Director of the Dangerous Drugs Board;
- The Chief of Staff of the Armed Forces of the Philippines;

The Director-General of the Philippine National Police;

Eight (8) representatives from the private sector, who shall be appointed by the Chairman representing the academe, civic, religious, youth, labor, legal, business and media organizations.

- (b) The Regional Peace and Order Council (RPOC) shall be composed of the regional counterparts of the departments, offices and agencies enumerated in paragraph (a) above, wherever applicable, to be appointed by their respective agency heads. The RPOC Chairman and Vice-Chairman shall be appointed by the Chairman of the NPOC.

The Chairman of the RPOC shall appoint at least three (3) representatives from the private sector as enumerated under paragraph (a) above, upon consultation with the members of the RPOC. Departments, offices, and agencies with no regional and/or field offices may deputize their representatives on the sub-national levels.

- (c) The Provincial Peace and Order Council (PPOC) shall be composed of the provincial counterparts of the departments, offices and agencies enumerated in paragraph (a) above, wherever applicable, to be appointed by their respective agency heads, with the Provincial Governor as Chairman and the Provincial Vice-Governor as Vice-Chairman. In addition, there shall be one representative of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan to be chosen by it from among its members. The Chairman of the Provincial Peace and Order Council shall appoint at least three (3) representatives of the private sector as enumerated under

paragraph (a) above upon consultation with the members of the Council at his level (PPOC). Departments, offices and agencies with no regional and/or field offices may deputize their representatives on the provincial level.

- (d) The City or Municipal Peace and Order Council shall be composed of the city or municipal counterparts of the departments, offices and agencies as enumerated in paragraph (a) above, wherever applicable, to be appointed by their respective agency heads with the City or Municipal Mayor as Chairman and the respective Vice-Mayor as Vice-Chairman. In addition, there shall be one representative of the Sangguniang Panlungsod or Sangguniang Bayan, as the case may be, to be chosen by said Sanggunian from among its members. The Chairman of the CPOC or MPOC shall appoint one representative from the Veterans group of the locality and at least three (3) representatives of the private sector as enumerated under paragraph (a) above, upon consultation with the members of the Council at his level (CPOC or MPOC). Departments, offices and agencies with no regional and/or field offices and agencies with no regional and/or field offices may deputize their representative on the city or municipal levels."

SEC. 2. Section 4 of Executive Order No. 309 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 4. Peace and Order Council Secretariat. - There shall be a Peace and Order Council Secretariat which shall handle the administrative and technical activities of the Peace and Order Council that is organized in the various administrative levels of government. Specifically, the Secretariat shall prepare plans and programs for the consideration of the Councils; supervise, direct and monitor for the Council implementation of approved policies, plans and programs; undertake liaisoning and coordination of activities with appropriate agencies of the government and provide a forum for inter-disciplinary dialogue and deliberation of major issues and problems affecting peace and order.

"The national and regional offices of the NAPOLCOM shall serve as the secretariat of the NPOC and RPOC, respectively, with the Vice-Chairman and Executive Officer of the NAPOLCOM acting as the Secretary-General at the national level and the NAPOLCOM Regional Director acting as head of the RPOC Secretariat.

"At the provincial, city and municipal levels, the Secretariat of the PPOC, CPOC and MPOC shall be headed by the most senior DILG officer stationed in the province, city or municipality.

"The Secretariat, at all levels shall be assisted in its functions and duties by the regular staff of the office of the Council Chairman."

SEC. 3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 8th day of September in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.



By the President:



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