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AN ACT CREATING THE OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES (AFP), TRANSFERRING THE DUTIES OF THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF FOR COMPTROLLERSHIP TO SUCH OFFICE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

1 SECTION 1. *Declaration of State Policy.* – The State shall maintain
2 honesty and integrity in the public service and take positive and effective
3 measures against graft and corruption. Towards this end, the State shall
4 correct any infirmity in the system of governance which tend to lean towards
5 corruption.

6 SEC. 2. *Creation of the Office of the Comptroller of the Armed Forces*
7 *of the Philippines.* – This Act hereby creates an office, the function of which is
8 the direction and control of the whole Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP)
9 financial management services replacing the whole Office of the Deputy Chief
10 of Staff for Comptrollership.

11 SEC. 3. *Organization.* – The Office of the Comptroller of the AFP shall
12 be under the supervision of the Chief of Staff of the AFP.

13 SEC. 4. *Functions of the Office of the Comptroller of the AFP.* – The
14 functions of the Office of the Comptroller of the AFP are as follows:

15 (a) To formulate plans and policies relative to budgeting, financial
16 management, accounting systems and services and management control
17 system;

18 (b) To exercise staff control and supervision over the determination of
19 budgetary requirements of the AFP;

1 (c) To assist the Chief of Staff, AFP and the Major Service
2 Commanders in the presentation of budget estimates before administrative and
3 legislative bodies;

4 (d) To supervise financial operations, management control and
5 accounting systems during the implementation of the budget of the AFP;

6 (e) To evaluate the status of mission accomplishments through a
7 system of review, analysis and evaluation of operating programs at various
8 levels of the AFP;

9 (f) To provide professional management advice and assistance to the
10 Chief of Staff, AFP and the Major Service Commanders, Area Commands and
11 *AFP-Wide Support and Separate Units*; and

12 (g) To exercise functional supervision over the AFP Financial Center
13 and the AFP Computer Systems Center.

14 *SEC. 5. Appointment and Qualifications.* – The position of Chief
15 Comptroller shall be classified as belonging to the Career Executive Service.
16 The Chief Comptroller must have the following qualification requirements:

17 (a) Appointed by the President;

18 (b) A Certified Public Accountant;

19 (c) A master's degree holder in Public Administration, Business
20 Administration or any master's degree related to this field; and

21 (d) Must not be a member of the AFP.

1 (f) Exercise functional supervision over the AFP Financial Center and
2 the AFP Computer Systems Center.

3 SEC. 7. *Separability Clause.* – If any portion or provision of this Act is
4 declared unconstitutional, the remainder of this Act or any provision not
5 affected thereby shall remain in force and effect.

6 SEC. 8. *Repealing Clause.* – Any law, presidential decree or issuance,
7 executive order, letter of instruction, rule or regulation inconsistent with the
8 provisions of this Act is hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

9 SEC. 9. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days from
10 the date of its complete publication in at least two national newspapers of
11 general circulation.

Approved,

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