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## AN ACT

RESTRUCTURING THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE,
CREATING ADDITIONAL POLICE OFFICES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 25, 26, 29, 30, 31, 35,
35-A, 36, 67 AND 67-A OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6975, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS
THE "DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT OF
1990", AS AMENDED, AND SECTION 32 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8551,
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE REFORM
AND REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1998"

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

SECTION 1. Section 25 of Republic Act No. 6975 as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"SEC 25. Organization. – [The PNP shall be headed by a Chief who shall be assisted by two (2) deputy chief, one (1) for operations and one (1) for administration, both of whom shall be appointed by the President upon recommendation of the Commission from among the most senior and qualified officers in the service: Provided, however, That in no case shall any officer who has retired or is retirable within six (6) months from his compulsory retirement age be appointed as Chief of the PNP.] The PNP shall be composed of a national office, AREA COMMANDS, regional offices, provincial offices, district offices, CITY OFFICES, and city or municipal stations.

At the national level, the [PNP shall maintain its office in Metropolitan Manila which] CHIEF OF THE PNP SHALL HAVE A COMMAND GROUP COMPOSED OF THE OFFICES OF THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF THE PNP FOR ADMINISTRATION, THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF THE PNP FOR OPERATIONS, AND THE CHIEF OF THE DIRECTORIAL STAFF. THE NATIONAL OFFICE shall [house the] HAVE A directorial staff, [service staff] NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE AND OPERATIONAL SUPPORT UNITS, and special [support units] POLICE OFFICES.

IN CLUSTERED POLICE REGIONAL OFFICES, THE PNP SHALL HAVE AREA POLICE COMMANDS.

At the regional level, the PNP shall have POLICE regional offices, including that of the National Capital Region POLICE OFFICE, which may be divided into two (2) separate regions, without prejudice to the pertinent provisions of the Organic Act for the Autonomous Region of the Cordilleras and THE ORGANIC LAW FOR THE BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN Muslim Mindanao relative to the creation of a [regional] [p]Police REGIONAL [force] OFFICES in the area of autonomy. [Each of these regional offices] POLICE REGIONAL OFFICES shall be headed by [a][r]Regional [d]DirectorS [for peace and order].

AT THE METROPOLITAN LEVEL, THERE SHALL BE A DISTRICT OFFICE, HEADED BY A DISTRICT DIRECTOR.

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AT THE HIGHLY URBANIZED AND INDEPENDENT COMPONENT CITY LEVEL, THERE SHALL BE A CITY POLICE OFFICE, HEADED BY A CITY DIRECTOR.

At the COMPONENT city or municipal level, there shall be a [PNP] POLICE station, [each] headed by a chief of police.

The Chief of the PNP shall, within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act and in accordance with the broad guidelines set forth herein, recommend the organizational structure and staffing pattern of the PNP to the Commission.

SEC. 2. A new Section 25-A is hereby inserted in Republic Act No. 6975 as amended, to read as follows:

"SEC. 25-A. PNP DIRECTORIAL STAFF. - THE DIRECTORIAL STAFF SYSTEM SHALL BE IMPLEMENTED TO ENHANCE THE SPAN OF CONTROL BEING EXERCISED BY THE CHIEF OF THE PNP IN THE ADMINISTRATION, OPERATION, AND CONTROL OF THE PNP AND TO FURTHER STRENGTHEN THE EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE WORKING RELATIONSHIP OF ALL PNP OFFICES: PROVIDED. THAT THE CHIEF OF THE PNP MAY CONSTITUTE MODIFY, OR MERGE SUCH OTHER DIRECTORIAL STAFF AS MAY BE NECESSARY SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE COMMISSION: PROVIDED, FURTHER, THAT NO DIRECTORIAL STAFF HEADED BY A POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL OR HIGHER CAN BE CREATED **UNLESS PROVIDED FOR** BY LAW. THE **FOLLOWING** DIRECTORATES SHALL CONTINUE TO PERFORM THEIR SPECIFIC FUNCTIONS UNDER THE SUPERVISION AND AUTHORITY OF THE CHIEF OF THE DIRECTORIAL STAFF:

(A) THE DIRECTORATE FOR PERSONNEL AND RECORDS MANAGEMENT SHALL ASSIST AND ADVISE THE CHIEF OF THE PNP IN THE MANAGEMENT OF PNP UNIFORMED AND NON-UNIFORMED PERSONNEL, MANPOWER PROCUREMENT AND CONTROL, PERSONNEL RECORDS AND REPORTS, DISCIPLINE, MORALE AND WELFARE, LAW AND ORDER, PERSONNEL SERVICES AND PERSONNEL PROCEDURES, AND MISCELLANEOUS FUNCTIONS ASSIGNED BY THE CHIEF OF THE PNP;

(B) THE DIRECTORATE FOR INTELLIGENCE SHALL ASSIST AND ADVISE THE CHIEF OF THE PNP IN ATTAINING INTELLIGENCE OBJECTIVES THROUGH EFFECTIVE MANAGEMENT OF ALL INTELLIGENCE AND COUNTERINTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES OF THE PNP:

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- (C) THE DIRECTORATE FOR OPERATIONS SHALL ASSIST AND ADVISE THE CHIEF OF THE PNP IN THE EXERCISE OF THE COMMAND, CONTROL, DIRECTION, COORDINATION, AND SUPERVISION OF ALL ACTIVITIES CONCERNING OPERATIONS, EMPLOYMENT, AND DEPLOYMENT OF THE PNP;
- (D) THE DIRECTORATE FOR LOGISTICS SHALL ASSIST AND ADVISE THE CHIEF OF THE PNP IN THE ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT OF LOGISTICS AND ITS FUNCTIONAL AREAS:
- (E) THE DIRECTORATE FOR PLANS SHALL ASSIST AND ADVISE THE CHIEF OF THE PNP IN THE AREAS OF PLANS AND PROGRAMS THAT ARE BEYOND THE IMMEDIATE OPERATIONAL AND TACTICAL RANGE. THIS INCLUDES ORGANIZATIONAL AND FORCE DEVELOPMENT, SPECIAL STUDIES, RESEARCH AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT OF **INTER-AGENCY** INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS. LEGISLATIVE AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS THAT ARE NEEDED FOR THE EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION AND OPERATION OF THE PNP;
- (F) THE DIRECTORATE FOR COMPTROLLERSHIP SHALL ASSIST AND ADVISE THE CHIEF OF THE PNP ON BUDGETING, ACCOUNTING, FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, AND INTERNAL AUDITING MATTERS:
- (G) THE DIRECTORATE FOR POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS SHALL ASSIST AND ADVISE THE CHIEF OF THE PNP IN PLANNING, DIRECTING, COORDINATING, AND SUPERVISING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SUSTAINABLE PROGRAMS FOR INSTITUTIONAL IMAGE BUILDING; CITIZENS' PARTICIPATION IN THE MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC ORDER INCLUDING PEACE POLICY FOR SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: **VALUE** ORIENTATION AND CONTINUING EDUCATION: **GENDER** AWARENESS AND DEVELOPMENT; AND AUXILIARY FORCE MULTIPLIER DEVELOPMENT;
- (H) THE DIRECTORATE FOR INVESTIGATION SHALL ASSIST AND ADVISE THE CHIEF OF THE PNP IN THE INVESTIGATION ACTIVITIES OF THE PNP;
- (I) THE DIRECTORATE FOR TRAINING, EDUCATION, AND DOCTRINE DEVELOPMENT SHALL ASSIST AND ADVISE THE CHIEF OF THE PNP IN THE FORMULATION OF POLICIES AND IN THE PLANNING, COORDINATION, AND SUPERVISION OF ALL

MATTERS PERTAINING TO TRAINING, EDUCATION AND DOCTRINE DEVELOPMENT;

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- (J) THE DIRECTORATE FOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT SHALL ASSIST AND ADVISE THE CHIEF OF THE PNP IN THE CONDUCT OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT: TEST AND EVALUATION OF CLOTHING, MATERIAL, VEHICLES, AND **EQUIPMENT:** ISSUANCE OF ACCREDITATION MANUFACTURERS AND SUPPLIERS OF PNP UNIFORMS AND ACCOUTREMENTS: FORMULATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF PNP POLICIES ON THE WEARING OF PNP UNIFORMS; AND IN THE IMPLEMENTATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE PNP SELF-RELIANT DEVELOPMENT POSTURE PROGRAMS, WHICH ARE IMPORTANT TO PEACE AND ORDER AND PUBLIC SAFETY: AND
- (K) THE DIRECTORATE FOR **INFORMATION** AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT SHALL ASSIST AND ADVISE THE CHIEF OF THE PNP IN THE FORMULATION OF POLICY AND MANAGING INFORMATION, ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES TO PROMOTE, DEVELOP AND REGULATE INTEGRATED STRATEGIC ICT SYSTEMS AND RELIABLE AND EFFICIENT COMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE. IT SHALL PROVIDE AND MAINTAIN RELIABLE. SECURED, INTEGRATED, AND COST-EFFICIENT INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES FACILITIES TO ALL PNP OFFICES AND UNITS. IT SHALL LIKEWISE BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DESIGN, IMPLEMENTATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE DATABASE SYSTEM OF ORGANIZATION AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ANTI-CYBERCRIME CAPABILITIES OF THE PNP TO ADDRESS THE GROWING INCIDENCE OF CYBERCRIME IN THE COUNTRY."

SEC. 3. A new Section 25-B is hereby inserted in Republic Act No. 6975 as amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 25-B. AREA POLICE COMMANDS (APC). - IN ORDER TO ENHANCE THE CONTROL OF THE CHIEF OF THE PNP, AREA POLICE COMMANDS SHALL BE ESTABLISHED IN CLUSTERED POLICE REGIONAL OFFICES. THE APC SHALL ORCHESTRATE. SUPERVISE, AND CONTROL THE CONDUCT OF INTER-REGIONAL OPERATIONS AGAINST INSURGENCY, TERRORISM, AND OTHER INTERNAL SECURITY THREATS. FURTHER, THE APC SHALL LIKEWISE CONDUCT SEARCH. RESCUE, **AND** RELIEF OPERATIONS IN TIMES OF CALAMITIES AND OTHER EMERGENCY SITUATIONS WITHIN THEIR RESPECTIVE AREAS JURISDICTION. FINALLY, THE APC SHALL SUPPORT THE POLICE REGIONAL OFFICES IN THE CONDUCT OF INTER-REGIONAL ANTI-CRIMINALITY OPERATIONS AND INVESTIGATION.

FOR THIS PURPOSE. THE APCs 1 SHALL ADMINISTRATIVE AND OPERATIONAL CONTROL OVER THE 2 EXISTING REGIONAL MOBILE FORCE BATTALIONS WITHIN THEIR 3 RESPECTIVE AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY SUBJECT TO THE 4 5 EXERCISE OF THE POWER OF DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY OF THE CHIEF OF THE PNP AND STRICT COMPLIANCE TO THE DOCTRINE OF CHAIN OF COMMAND. 7 8 INITIALLY, FIVE APCs SHALL BE ACTIVATED NAMELY: 9 (A) NORTHERN LUZON AREA POLICE COMMAND; (B) SOUTHERN LUZON AREA POLICE COMMAND: 10 (C) VISAYAS AREA POLICE COMMAND: 11 12 (D) EASTERN MINDANAO AREA POLICE COMMAND; AND 13 (E) WESTERN MINDANAO AREA POLICE COMMAND. 14 TO ENHANCE POLICE OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY AND 15 EFFECTIVENESS. THE CHIEF OF THE PNP MAY CONSTITUTE. MODIFY, OR MERGE APCs AS MAY BE NECESSARY SUBJECT TO 16 THE APPROVAL OF THE COMMISSION: PROVIDED, THAT NO APC 17 18 HEADED BY A POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL OR HIGHER CAN BE CREATED UNLESS PROVIDED FOR BY LAW." 19 20 SEC. 4. A new Section 25-C is hereby inserted in Republic Act No. 6975 as amended, to read as follows: 21 "SEC. 25-C. SPECIAL POLICE OFFICES. - THE PNP SHALL 22 BE SUPPORTED BY SPECIAL POLICE OFFICES WHICH SHALL 23 CONTINUE TO PERFORM THEIR SPECIFIC FUNCTIONS. TO 24 25 **ENHANCE** POLICE **OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY** 26 EFFECTIVENESS, THE CHIEF OF THE PNP MAY CONSTITUTE. MODIFY, OR MERGE SPECIAL POLICE OFFICES AS MAY BE 27 NECESSARY SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE COMMISSION: 28 PROVIDED, THAT NO SPECIAL POLICE OFFICE HEADED BY A 29 POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL OR HIGHER CAN BE CREATED 30 UNLESS PROVIDED FOR BY LAW: 31 32 (A) CENTER FOR POLICE STRATEGY MANAGEMENT -HEADED BY A POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE CENTER 33 34 SHALL SERVE AS THE CENTRAL FACILITY OF ORGANIZATION IN COORDINATING AND INTEGRATING ALL 35 STRATEGY MANAGEMENT PROCESSES, SUSTAINING ITS 36 37 STRATEGY EXECUTION AND MANAGEMENT, AND INSTILLING IN

THE ORGANIZATION A CULTURE OF STRATEGIC FOCUS.

(B) HUMAN RIGHTS AFFAIRS OFFICE - HEADED BY A POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE OFFICE SHALL SERVE AS A MANAGEMENT FACILITY THAT WILL OVERSEE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PNP GUIDELINES AND POLICIES ON HUMAN RIGHTS LAWS.

- (C) PEACE PROCESS AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER HEADED BY A POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE CENTER SHALL BE THE OFFICE PRIMARILY RESPONSIBLE IN THE MONITORING OF THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF PEACE AGREEMENTS AND PERTINENT LAWS.
- (D) COMMAND CENTER HEADED BY A POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE CENTER SHALL BE THE MAIN MONITORING FACILITY OF THE PNP OF ALL EVENTS AFFECTING THE PEACE AND ORDER SITUATION NATIONWIDE. IT SHALL SERVE AS THE MAIN COORDINATING CENTER FOR ALL OPERATING AND SUPPORT UNITS IN PURSUANCE OF PNP LAW ENFORCEMENT, INTERNAL SECURITY, SPECIAL OPERATIONS, AND RECORDS/STATISTICS COMPILATION FUNCTIONS.
- (E) PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE HEADED BY A POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE OFFICE SHALL SUPERVISE, EVALUATE, AND MONITOR THE PROVISION OF RELEVANT INFORMATION ON ONGOING PNP PROGRAMS, PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES TO ENHANCE THE UNDERSTANDING OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND ULTIMATELY GAIN COMMUNITY SUPPORT AND ACTIVE PARTICIPATION.
- (F) LIAISON OFFICE FOR THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT HEADED BY A POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE OFFICE SHALL SERVE AS AN EXTENSION OF THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF THE PNP TO ASSIST THE PRESIDENT AND THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY ON THE DIFFERENT ASPECTS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AND ACT AS THE MAIN FOCAL POINT OF COORDINATION BETWEEN THE PNP AND THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.
- (G)LIAISON OFFICE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT HEADED BY A POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE OFFICE SHALL ASSIST THE SECRETARY IN HIS CAPACITY AS THE *EX OFFICIO* CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMISSION.
- (H)LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS CENTER HEADED BY A POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE CENTER SHALL ACT AS THE PERMANENT PNP REPRESENTATIVE DURING CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS AND DELIBERATIONS AS WELL AS UNDERTAKE NECESSARY ACTIONS TO PURSUE THE PASSAGE

OF PNP PRIORITY BILLS AND RELATED BILLS IN THE CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES."

SEC. 5. Section 26 of Republic Act No. No. 6975 as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 26. Powers, Functions and Term of Office of the PNP Chief. – THE COMMAND AND DIRECTION OF THE PNP SHALL BE VESTED IN THE CHIEF OF THE PNP WHO SHALL HAVE THE POWER TO SELECT THE MEMBERS OF HIS COMMAND GROUP FROM AMONG THE QUALIFIED OFFICERS IN THE SERVICE: PROVIDED, THAT THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF THE PNP FOR ADMINISTRATION AND THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF THE PNP FOR OPERATIONS SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE COMMISSION.

The [command and direction of the PNP shall be vested in the] Chief of the PNP [who] shall have the power to direct and control tactical as well as strategic movements, deployment, placement, utilization of the PNP or any of its units and personnel, including its equipment, facilities and other resources. Such command and direction of the Chief of the PNP may be delegated to subordinate officials with respect to the units under their respective commands, in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the Commission. The Chief of the PNP shall also have the power to issue detailed implementing policies and instructions regarding personnel, funds, properties. correspondence and such other matters as may be necessary to effectively carry out the functions, powers and duties of the Bureau. The Chief of the PNP shall be appointed by the President from among the senior officers down to the rank of Police Brigadier General [, subject to confirmation by the Commission on Appointments]: Provided. That the Chief of the PNP shall serve a term of office not to exceed four (4) years[:] AND SHALL BE COMPULSORILY RETIRED AT THE MAXIMUM TENURE IN POSITION HEREIN PRESCRIBED. OR AT AGE FIFTY-SIX (56), WHICHEVER IS EARLIER: Provided, further, that in times of war or other national emergency declared by Congress, the President may extend such term of office.

TO ENHANCE POLICE OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS, THE CHIEF OF THE PNP MAY CONSTITUTE, MODIFY, OR MERGE PNP UNITS AND OFFICES AS MAY BE NECESSARY INCLUDING THE CORRESPONDING CHANGES IN THE NUMBER AND DISTRIBUTION OF RANKS, OR OTHERWISE IMPLEMENT NECESSARY ADJUSTMENTS IN THE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE, STAFFING, FUNCTIONS, AND FUNCTIONAL RELATIONSHIPS SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE COMMISSION: PROVIDED, THAT NO PNP UNITS AND OFFICES HEADED BY A POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL OR HIGHER CAN BE CREATED UNLESS PROVIDED FOR BY LAW."

SEC. 6. Section 29 of Republic Act No. 6975, as amended by Republic Act No. 1 2 11200, is hereby further amended to read as follows: 3 4 "SEC. 29. KEY POSITIONS. - [The head of the PNP with the 5 rank of director general shall have the position title of Chief of the PNP. The second in command of the PNP with the rank of deputy director 6 7 general shall be the Deputy Chief of the PNP for Administration. The 8 third in command with the rank also of deputy director general shall be 9 the Deputy Chief of the PNP for Operations. 10 At the national office, the head of the directorial staff with the rank 11 of deputy director general shall be known as the Chief of the Directorial Staff of the PNP. 12 13 The heads of the various staff divisions in the directorial staff shall 14 have the rank of director with the position title of Director of the 15 Directorial Staff of their respective functional divisions. The head of the 16 Inspectorate Division with the rank of chief superintendent shall assume 17 the position title of Inspector General. The heads of the administrative and operational support divisions shall have the rank of chief 18 19 superintendent. 20 The head of the NCR with the rank of director shall assume the position title of NCR Director. 21 The heads of the regional offices with the rank of chief 22 23 superintendent shall assume the position title of Regional Director. The heads of the NCR district offices with the rank of chief 24 25 superintendent shall have the position title of District Director. 26 The heads of the provincial offices with the rank of senior 27 superintendent shall be known as Provincial Director. 28 The heads of the district offices with the rank of superintendent 29 shall have the position title of District Director. 30 The heads of the municipality or city offices with the rank of chief 31 inspector shall be known as Chief of Police.1 THE HEAD OF THE PNP SHALL HAVE THE POSITION TITLE 32 33 OF CHIEF OF THE PNP, WITH THE RANK OF POLICE GENERAL. 34 THE SECOND IN COMMAND OF THE PNP SHALL HAVE THE 35 POSITION TITLE OF DEPUTY CHIEF OF THE PNP FOR ADMINISTRATION, WITH THE RANK OF POLICE LIEUTENANT 36 GENERAL. THE THIRD IN COMMAND SHALL HAVE THE POSITION 37 TITLE OF DEPUTY CHIEF OF THE PNP FOR OPERATIONS, WITH 38 THE RANK ALSO OF POLICE LIEUTENANT GENERAL. 39

AT THE NATIONAL OFFICE, THE HEAD OF THE DIRECTORIAL STAFF SHALL HAVE THE POSITION TITLE OF CHIEF OF THE DIRECTORIAL STAFF, WITH THE RANK OF POLICE LIEUTENANT GENERAL AND SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A SECRETARY TO THE DIRECTORIAL STAFF WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL.

THE HEADS OF THE VARIOUS DIRECTORIAL STAFF SHALL HAVE THE POSITION TITLE OF DIRECTOR OF THEIR RESPECTIVE DIRECTORIAL STAFF, WITH THE RANK OF POLICE MAJOR GENERAL. THEY SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND EXECUTIVE OFFICER, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL. THE HEADS OF THE NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE AND OPERATIONAL SUPPORT UNITS SHALL HAVE THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL OR HIGHER.

THE HEADS OF AREA POLICE COMMANDS SHALL HAVE THE POSITION TITLE OF COMMANDER, WITH THE RANK OF POLICE LIEUTENANT GENERAL AND SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY COMMANDER AND CHIEF OF STAFF, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL.

THE HEADS OF SPECIAL POLICE OFFICES SHALL HAVE THE POSITION TITLE OF CHIEF OF THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICE, WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL AND SHALL BE ASSISTED BY AN ASSISTANT CHIEF WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

THE HEAD OF THE NCR POLICE OFFICE (NCRPO) SHALL HAVE THE POSITION TITLE OF NCRPO REGIONAL DIRECTOR, WITH THE RANK OF POLICE MAJOR GENERAL AND SHALL BE ASSISTED BY Α DEPUTY REGIONAL DIRECTOR FOR ADMINISTRATION. **DEPUTY** REGIONAL DIRECTOR OPERATIONS, AND CHIEF OF REGIONAL STAFF, ALL WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL.

THE HEADS OF OTHER POLICE REGIONAL OFFICES SHALL HAVE THE POSITION TITLE OF REGIONAL DIRECTOR, WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL AND SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY REGIONAL DIRECTOR FOR ADMINISTRATION WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, AND DEPUTY REGIONAL DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS AND CHIEF OF REGIONAL STAFF, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

THE HEADS OF THE POLICE DISTRICTS ESTABLISHED IN THE NCR AND IN OTHER METROPOLITAN AREAS SHALL HAVE THE POSITION TITLE OF DISTRICT DIRECTOR, WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL AND SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DISTRICT DIRECTOR FOR ADMINISTRATION, DEPUTY

DISTRICT DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS, AND CHIEF OF STAFF, 1 ALL WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL. 2 THE HEADS OF POLICE PROVINCIAL OFFICES SHALL HAVE 3 THE POSITION TITLE OF PROVINCIAL DIRECTOR, WITH THE RANK 4 OF POLICE COLONEL. 5 THE HEADS OF CITY POLICE OFFICES SHALL HAVE THE 6 7 POSITION TITLE OF CITY DIRECTOR, WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL. 8 THE HEADS OF THE POLICE DISTRICTS ESTABLISHED BY 9 THE COMMISSION IN LARGE PROVINCES SHALL HAVE THE 10 POSITION TITLE OF DISTRICT DIRECTOR, WITH THE RANK OF 11 POLICE LIEUTENANT COLONEL 12 THE HEADS OF THE POLICE STATIONS IN THE MUNICIPAL 13 OR CITY LEVEL SHALL HAVE THE POSITION TITLE OF CHIEF OF 14 POLICE, WITH THE RANK OF AT LEAST POLICE CAPTAIN IN THE 15 FORMER AND POLICE MAJOR IN THE LATTER. SEC. 7. A new Section 30-A is hereby inserted in Republic Act No. 6975 as 17 amended, to read as follows: 18 19 "SEC. 30-A. Philippine National Police Academy Cadets. - ALL CADETS OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE ACADEMY (PNPA) 20 SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE CHIEF OF THE PNP, OR UPON HIS 21 AUTHORITY, BY THE PNPA DIRECTOR. THEY SHALL HOLD THE 22 23 POSITION OF POLICE CADET, IN TEMPORARY STATUS, WHICH 24 SHALL BE RENEWED EVERY YEAR UNTIL THEIR GRADUATION OR 25 SEPARATION FROM THE ACADEMY FOR JUST CAUSE IN 26 ACCORDANCE WITH EXISTING LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS. 27 WHICHEVER COMES FIRST. POLICE CADETS SHALL BE ENTITLED TO ALL SALARIES, BENEFITS AND OTHER EMOLUMENTS GIVEN TO 28 29 A POLICE EXECUTIVE MASTER SERGEANT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH 30 THE IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THIS ACT AND R.A. NO. 11279, OR THE ACT TRANSFERRING THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE ACADEMY (PNPA) AND THE 32 NATIONAL POLICE TRAINING INSTITUTE (NPTI) FROM THE 33 PHILIPPINE PUBLIC SAFETY COLLEGE (PPSC) TO THE PHILIPPINE 34 NATIONAL POLICE." 35 36 SEC. 8. Section 31 of Republic Act No. 6975, as amended by Republic Act No. 37 11200, is hereby further amended to read as follows: "SEC. 31. Appointment of PNP Officers and Members TO 38 POSITION AND RANK. - The appointment of the officers and members 39 40 of the PNP shall be effected in the following manner:

(a) Patrolman/Patrolwoman to Police Executive Master Sergeant. – Appointed by the PNP regional director for regional personnel, APC COMMANDER FOR APC PERSONNEL, DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL SUPPORT UNITS FOR NATIONAL SUPPORT UNIT PERSONNEL, or by the Chief of the PNP for the national headquarters personnel and attested by the Civil Service Commission;

- (b) Police Lieutenant to Police Lieutenant Colonel. Appointed by the Chief of the PNP, as recommended by their immediate superiors, TO THE POSITION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPROVED STAFFING PATTERN AND TO THE CORRESPONDING RANKS TO BE [and] attested by the Civil Service Commission:
- (c) Police Colonel to Police Lieutenant General. Appointed by the President upon recommendation of the Chief of the PNP [, with proper endorsement by the Chairman of the Civil Service Commission] AND THE COMMISSION TO KEY POSITIONS AND TO THE CORRESPONDING RANKS [and subject to confirmation by the Commission on Appointments]; and
- (d) Police General. Appointed by the President TO THE POSITION OF CHIEF OF THE PNP from among the senior officers down to the rank of Police Brigadier General in the service."[, subject to confirmation by the Commission on Appointments: Provided, That the Chief of the PNP shall serve a tour of duty not to exceed four (4) years: Provided, further, That, in times of war or other national emergency declared by Congress, the President may extend such tour of duty."]

SEC. 9. Sections 35, 35-A and 67-A of Republic Act 6975, as amended by Republic Act 11279, are hereby further amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 35. NATIONAL Support Units. — [The PNP shall be supported by administrative and operational support units. The administrative support units shall consist of the Crime Laboratory, Logistics Unit, Communications Unit, Computer Center, Finance Center and Civil Security Unit. The operational support units shall be composed of the Maritime Police Unit, Police Intelligence Unit, Police Security Unit, Criminal Investigation Unit, Special Action Force, Narcotics Unit, Aviation Security Unit, Traffic Management Unit, the Medical and Dental Centers and the Civil Relations Unit. To enhance police operational efficiency and effectiveness, the Chief of the PNP may constitute such other support units as may be necessary subject to the approval of the Commission: *Provided*, That no support unit headed by a chief superintendent or a higher rank can be created unless provided by law.

(a) Administrative Support Units. -

1 (1) Crime Laboratory. There shall be established a central 2 Crime Laboratory to be headed by a Director with the rank 3 of chief superintendent, which shall provide scientific and technical investigative aid and support to the PNP and 4 other government investigative agencies. 5 6 It shall also provide crime laboratory examination. evaluation and identification of physical evidences 7 8 involved in crimes with primary emphasis on their medical. 9 chemical, biological and physical nature. There shall likewise be established regional and city crime 10 11 laboratories as may be necessary in all regions and cities of the country. 12 13 (2) Logistics Unit. Headed by a Director with the rank of chief 14 superintendent, the Logistics Unit shall be responsible for 15 the procurement, distribution and management of all the logistical requirements of the PNP including firearms and 16 ammunition. 17 (3) Communications Unit. Headed by a Director with the rank 18 19 of chief superintendent, the Communications Unit shall be 20 responsible for establishing an effective police 21 communications network. 22 (4) Computer Center. Headed by a Director with the rank of chief superintendent, the Computer Center shall be 23 responsible for the design, 24 implementation and 25 maintenance of a database system for the PNP. 26 (5) Finance Center. Headed by a Director with the rank of 27 chief superintendent, the Finance Center shall be 28 responsible for providing finance services to the PNP. 29 (6) Civil Security Unit. Headed by a Director with the rank of chief superintendent, the Civil Security Unit shall provide 30 administrative services and general supervision over the 31 32 organization, business operation and activities of all organized private detectives, watchmen, security guard 33 34 agencies and company guard forces. The unit shall likewise supervise the licensing and 35 registration of firearms and explosives. 36 37 The approval of applications for licenses to operate private 38 security agencies, as well as the issuance of licenses to 39 security guards and the licensing of firearms and

explosives, shall be decentralized to the PNP regional 1 2 offices. (b) Operational Support Units. -3 (1) Maritime Police Unit. Headed by a Director with the 4 5 rank of chief superintendent, the Maritime Police Unit 6 shall perform all police functions over Philippine territorial waters and rivers. 7 (2) Police Intelligence Unit. Headed by a Director with the 8 rank of chief superintendent, the Police Intelligence 9 10 Unit shall serve as the intelligence 11 counterintelligence operating unit of the PNP. 12 (3) Police Security Unit. Headed by a Director with the rank of chief superintendent, the Police Security Unit shall 13 provide security for government officials, visiting 14 dignitaries and private individuals authorized to be 15 16 given protection. 17 (4) Criminal Investigation Unit. Headed by a Director with 18 the rank of chief superintendent, the Criminal Investigation Unit shall undertake the monitoring, 19 20 investigation and prosecution of all crimes involving economic sabotage, and other crimes of such 21 22 magnitude and extent as to indicate their commission 23 by highly placed or professional criminal syndicates 24 and organizations. 25 This unit shall likewise investigate all major cases 26 involving violations of the Revised Penal Code and 27 operate against organized crime groups, unless the President assigns the case exclusively to the National 28 29 Bureau of Investigation (NBI). 30 (5) Special Action Force. Headed by a Director with the 31 rank of chief superintendent, the Special Action Force 32 shall function as a mobile strike force or reaction unit 33 to augment regional, provincial, municipal and city 34 police forces for civil disturbance 35 counterinsurgency, hostage-taking, rescue operations, 36 and other special concerns. 37 (6) Narcotics Unit. Headed by a Director with the rank of chief superintendent, the Narcotics Unit shall enforce 38 39 all laws relative to the protection of the citizenry against 40 dangerous and other prohibited drugs and substances.

(7) Aviation Security Unit. Headed by a Director with the rank of chief superintendent, the Aviation Security Unit, in coordination with airport authorities, shall secure all the country's airports against offensive and terroristic acts that threaten civil aviation, exercise operational control and supervision over all agencies involved in airport security operation, and enforce all laws and regulations relative to air travel protection and security.

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- (8) Traffic Management Unit. Headed by a Director with the rank of chief superintendent, the Traffic Management Unit shall enforce traffic laws and regulations.
- (9) Medical and Dental Centers. Headed by a Director with the rank of chief superintendent, the Medical and Dental Centers shall be responsible for providing medical and dental services for the PNP.
- (10) Civil Relations Unit. Headed by a Director with the rank of chief superintendent, the Civil Relations Unit shall implement plans and programs that will promote community and citizens' participation in the maintenance of peace and order and public safety.]

PNP THE SHALL BE SUPPORTED BY NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE AND OPERATIONAL SUPPORT UNITS. TO **POLICE ENHANCE OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY** AND EFFECTIVENESS, THE CHIEF OF THE PNP MAY CONSTITUTE SUCH OTHER NATIONAL SUPPORT UNITS AS MAY BE NECESSARY SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE COMMISSION: PROVIDED, THAT NO SUPPORT UNIT HEADED BY A POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL OR A HIGHER RANK CAN BE CREATED UNLESS PROVIDED BY LAW.

THE NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE AND OPERATIONAL SUPPORT UNITS SHALL INITIALLY CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING:

## (A) NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT UNITS. -

(1) PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE ACADEMY. – HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE MAJOR GENERAL, THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE ACADEMY SHALL SERVE AS THE PREMIER INSTITUTION FOR POLICE EDUCATION, AND THE PRIMARY SOURCE FOR COMMISSIONSHIP OF POLICE LIEUTENANTS. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND CHIEF OF STAFF, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL. THE DIRECTOR SHALL SUPERVISE THE ACADEMICS GROUP AND TACTICS GROUP WHICH SHALL BE HEADED BY A DEAN OF ACADEMICS AND

COMMANDANT OF CADETS, RESPECTIVELY, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL.

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- (2) NATIONAL POLICE TRAINING INSTITUTE. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE MAJOR GENERAL, THE NATIONAL POLICE TRAINING INSTITUTE SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MANDATORY AND LEADERSHIP TRAININGS OF ALL POLICE NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL AND CHIEF OF STAFF, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.
- (3) LOGISTICS SUPPORT SERVICE. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE LOGISTICS SUPPORT SERVICE SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROCUREMENT, DISTRIBUTIONS, AND MANAGEMENT OF ALL THE LOGISTICAL REQUIREMENTS OF THE PNP INCLUDING FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND CHIEF OF STAFF, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.
- (4) COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS SERVICE. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS SERVICE SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE POLICE COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND CHIEF OF STAFF, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.
- (5) INFORMATION AND TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT SERVICE. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE INFORMATION AND TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT SERVICE SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DESIGN, IMPLEMENTATION, AND MAINTENANCE OF A DATABASE SYSTEM FOR THE PNP. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND CHIEF OF STAFF, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.
- (6) FINANCE SERVICE. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE FINANCE SERVICE SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING FINANCE SERVICES TO THE PNP. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND CHIEF OF STAFF, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.
- (7) HEALTH SERVICE. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE HEALTH SERVICE SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING MEDICAL AND DENTAL SERVICES FOR THE PNP. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY

A DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND CHIEF OF STAFF, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

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- (8) TRAINING SERVICE. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE TRAINING SERVICE SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR CONDUCTING TRAINING COURSES GEARED TOWARDS SKILLS ENHANCEMENT, INTELLECTUAL ADVANCEMENT, AND MORAL TRANSFORMATION OF PNP PERSONNEL VITAL TO THE PURSUIT OF A RESPECTABLE AND RESPONSIVE POLICE FORCE. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND CHIEF OF STAFF, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.
- RETIREMENT AND BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION SERVICE. - HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL. THE PNP RETIREMENT AND BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION SERVICE SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ADMINISTERING THE RETIREMENT, SEPARATION, AND DEATH OF PNP PERSONNEL AS WELL AS IMPLEMENTATION OF PLANS AND PROGRAMS TO UPLIFT THE MORALE AND WELFARE OF THE PNP RETIREES AND THEIR BENEFICIARIES. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND CHIEF OF STAFF, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.
- (10) HEADQUARTERS SUPPORT SERVICE. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE HEADQUARTERS SUPPORT SERVICE SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING GENERAL HOUSEKEEPING AND CAMP SECURITY SERVICES TO THE NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR ADMINISTRATION, DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS, AND CHIEF OF STAFF, ALL WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.
- (11) CHAPLAIN SERVICE. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE CHAPLAIN SERVICE SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING SPIRITUAL AND OTHER COUNSELING SERVICES FOR THE MORAL GROWTH AND ENHANCEMENT OF PNP PERSONNEL AND DEPENDENTS. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND CHIEF OF STAFF, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.
- (12) ENGINEERING SERVICE. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE ENGINEERING SERVICE SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OVERALL PLANNING, IMPLEMENTATION, SUPERVISION, AND EVALUATION OF ALL PNP ENGINEERING PROGRAMS, SUCH AS CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR PROJECTS, LAND UTILIZATION

PROJECTS, HOUSING AND QUARTERING PROJECTS, AND OTHER RELATED ACTIVITIES. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND CHIEF OF STAFF, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

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- (13) LEGAL SERVICE. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE LEGAL SERVICE SHALL SERVE AS THE LEGAL ARM OF THE PNP, ASSIST IN CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION AND PROSECUTION, ACT AS LEGAL COUNSEL OF THE CHIEF OF THE PNP, REPRESENT SUBORDINATE POLICE OFFICES AND HEADS THEREOF IN CIVIL, CRIMINAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS ARISING FROM SERVICE-CONNECTED CASES, AND RENDER LEGAL OPINION ON POLICE OPERATIONS AND ADMINISTRATION. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND CHIEF OF STAFF, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.
- (14) RECRUITMENT AND SELECTION SERVICE. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE RECRUITMENT AND SELECTION SERVICE SHALL INSTITUTIONALIZE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PNP RECRUITMENT AND SELECTION PROGRAM TO ENSURE THE ENTRY OF QUALIFIED AND COMPETENT UNIFORMED PERSONNEL IN THE PNP. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND CHIEF OF STAFF, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

## (B) NATIONAL OPERATIONAL SUPPORT UNITS. -

(1) CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION AND DETECTION GROUP. - HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE MAJOR GENERAL, THE CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION AND DETECTION GROUP SHALL UNDERTAKE THE MONITORING, INVESTIGATION AND PROSECUTION OF ALL CRIMES INVOLVING ECONOMIC SABOTAGE, AND OTHER CRIMES OF SUCH MAGNITUDE AND EXTENT AS TO INDICATE THEIR COMMISSION BY HIGHLY PLACED OR PROFESSIONAL CRIMINAL SYNDICATES AND ORGANIZATIONS.

THIS GROUP SHALL LIKEWISE INVESTIGATE ALL MAJOR CASES INVOLVING VIOLATIONS OF THE REVISED PENAL CODE AND OPERATE AGAINST ORGANIZED CRIME GROUPS, UNLESS THE PRESIDENT ASSIGNS THE CASE EXCLUSIVELY TO THE NATIONAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (NBI).

THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR ADMINISTRATION WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, AND A DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS AND CHIEF OF STAFF, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

(2) CIVIL SECURITY GROUP. – HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE MAJOR GENERAL, THE CIVIL SECURITY GROUP SHALL PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND GENERAL SUPERVISION OVER ORGANIZATION, BUSINESS OPERATION AND ACTIVITIES OF ALL ORGANIZED PRIVATE DETECTIVES, WATCHMEN, SECURITY GUARD AGENCIES AND COMPANY GUARDHOUSES.

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 THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL AND CHIEF OF STAFF WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

THE GROUP SHALL SUPERVISE THE FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES OFFICE, WHICH IS HEADED BY A CHIEF WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL WHO SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY CHIEF AND CHIEF OF STAFF, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

THE GROUP SHALL LIKEWISE SUPERVISE THE SUPERVISORY OFFICE FOR SECURITY AND INVESTIGATION AGENCIES, WHICH IS HEADED BY A CHIEF WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL WHO SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY CHIEF AND CHIEF OF STAFF, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

(3) SPECIAL ACTION FORCE. – HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE MAJOR GENERAL, THE SPECIAL ACTION FORCE SHALL FUNCTION AS A MOBILE STRIKE FORCE OR REACTION UNIT TO AUGMENT REGIONAL, PROVINCIAL, MUNICIPAL AND CITY POLICE FORCES IN CIVIL DISTURBANCE CONTROL, COUNTERINSURGENCY, HOSTAGE-TAKING RESCUE OPERATIONS, AND OTHER SPECIAL OPERATIONS.

THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL AND CHIEF OF STAFF, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

- (4) ANTI-CYBERCRIME GROUP. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE MAJOR GENERAL, THE ANTI-CYBERCRIME GROUP SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PERTINENT LAWS ON CYBERCRIMES AND ANTI-CYBERCRIME CAMPAIGNS OF THE PNP. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR ADMINISTRATION, DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS, AND CHIEF OF STAFF, ALL WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.
- (5) MARITIME GROUP. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE MAJOR GENERAL, THE MARITIME GROUP

SHALL PERFORM ALL POLICE FUNCTIONS OVER PHILIPPINE TERRITORIAL WATERS AND RIVERS. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR ADMINISTRATION, DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS, AND CHIEF OF STAFF, ALL WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

- (6) INTELLIGENCE GROUP. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE MAJOR GENERAL, THE INTELLIGENCE GROUP SHALL SERVE AS THE INTELLIGENCE AND COUNTERINTELLIGENCE OPERATING UNIT OF THE PNP. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR ADMINISTRATION, DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS, AND CHIEF OF STAFF, ALL WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.
- (7) AVIATION SECURITY GROUP. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE MAJOR GENERAL, THE AVIATION SECURITY GROUP, IN COORDINATION WITH AIRPORT AUTHORITIES, SHALL SECURE ALL THE COUNTRY'S AIRPORTS AGAINST OFFENSIVE AND TERRORISTIC ACTS THAT THREATEN CIVIL AVIATION, EXERCISE OPERATIONAL CONTROL AND SUPERVISION OVER ALL AGENCIES INVOLVED IN AIRPORT SECURITY OPERATION, AND ENFORCE ALL LAWS AND REGULATIONS RELATIVE TO AIR TRAVEL PROTECTION AND SAFETY. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR ADMINISTRATION, DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS, AND CHIEF OF STAFF, ALL WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.
- (8) HIGHWAY PATROL GROUP. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE MAJOR GENERAL, THE HIGHWAY PATROL GROUP SHALL ENFORCE TRAFFIC LAWS AND REGULATIONS. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR ADMINISTRATION, DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS, AND CHIEF OF STAFF, ALL WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.
- (9) FORENSIC GROUP. THERE SHALL BE ESTABLISHED A FORENSIC GROUP TO BE HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE MAJOR GENERAL, WHICH SHALL PROVIDE SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL INVESTIGATIVE AID AND SUPPORT TO THE PNP AND OTHER GOVERNMENT INVESTIGATIVE AGENCIES.
- IT SHALL ALSO PROVIDE FORENSIC EXAMINATION, EVALUATION, AND IDENTIFICATION OF PHYSICAL EVIDENCE INVOLVED IN CRIMES WITH PRIMARY EMPHASIS ON THEIR MEDICAL, CHEMICAL, BIOLOGICAL AND PHYSICAL NATURE.

THERE SHALL LIKEWISE BE ESTABLISHED REGIONAL, DISTRICT, PROVINCIAL, AND CITY FORENSIC UNITS AS MAY BE NECESSARY IN ALL REGIONS AND CITIES OF THE COUNTRY.

THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR ADMINISTRATION, DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS, AND CHIEF OF STAFF, ALL WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

- (10) DRUG ENFORCEMENT GROUP. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE MAJOR GENERAL, THE DRUG ENFORCEMENT GROUP SHALL ENFORCE ALL LAWS RELATIVE TO THE PROTECTION OF THE CITIZENRY AGAINST DANGEROUS AND OTHER PROHIBITED DRUGS AND SUBSTANCES. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR ADMINISTRATION, DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS, AND CHIEF OF STAFF, ALL WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.
- (11) POLICE SECURITY AND PROTECTION GROUP. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE POLICE SECURITY AND PROTECTION GROUP SHALL PROVIDE SECURITY FOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, VISITING DIGNITARIES AND PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS AUTHORIZED TO BE GIVEN PROTECTION. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND CHIEF OF STAFF, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.
- (12) POLICE COMMUNITY AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT GROUP. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE POLICE COMMUNITY AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT GROUP SHALL IMPLEMENT PLANS AND PROGRAMS THAT PROMOTE COMMUNITY AND CITIZENS' PARTICIPATION IN THE MAINTENANCE OF PEACE AND ORDER AND PUBLIC SAFETY. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR ADMINISTRATION, DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS, AND CHIEF OF STAFF, ALL WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.
- (13) ANTI-KIDNAPPING GROUP. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE ANTI-KIDNAPPING GROUP SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE IN ADDRESSING KIDNAPPING MENACE IN THE COUNTRY AND IN HANDLING HOSTAGE SITUATIONS. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR ADMINISTRATION, DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS, AND CHIEF OF STAFF, ALL WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.
- (14) EXPLOSIVES AND ORDNANCE AND CANINE GROUP. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER

GENERAL, THE EXPLOSIVES AND ORDNANCE/CANINE GROUP SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MANAGEMENT, DEPLOYMENT, UTILIZATION, AND DEVELOPMENT OF EOD AND CANINE UNITS OF THE PNP. THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR ADMINISTRATION, DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS, AND CHIEF OF STAFF, ALL WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

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 (15) INTEGRITY MONITORING AND ENFORCEMENT GROUP. – HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE INTEGRITY MONITORING AND ENFORCEMENT GROUP SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR INFORMATION GATHERING AND CONDUCT OF OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS AGAINST ERRING PNP PERSONNEL.

SPECIFICALLY, THE GROUP SHALL CONDUCT INTELLIGENCE BUILD-UP AND LAW ENFORCEMENT OPERATIONS AGAINST PNP PERSONNEL REPORTED TO BE INVOLVED OR PROTECTING ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES SUCH AS, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, DRUG TRAFFICKING, HUMAN TRAFFICKING, FINANCIAL CRIMES, CYBERCRIME, MALVERSATION, PILFERAGE, GRAFT AND CORRUPT PRACTICES, AND SECURITY VIOLATIONS.

THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR ADMINISTRATION, DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS, AND CHIEF OF STAFF, ALL WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

(16) WOMEN AND CHILDREN PROTECTION GROUP. - HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE GROUP SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PERTINENT LAWS ON VIOLATIONS AGAINST WOMEN AND CHILDREN, AND TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS.

THE DIRECTOR SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR ADMINISTRATION, DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS, AND CHIEF OF STAFF, ALL WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL."

SEC. 10. Section 36 of Republic Act No. 6975, as amended by Section 36 of Republic Act No. 8551 is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 36. Status of Members of the Philippine National Police. – The uniformed members of the PNP INCLUDING POLICE CADETS shall be considered employees of the National Government and shall draw their salaries therefrom. [They shall have the same salary grade level as that of public school teachers:] THEY SHALL HAVE SALARY GRADE LEVELS PROVIDED UNDER EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 107 SERIES OF 1999: PROVIDED, THAT POLICE CADETS SHALL HAVE SALARY

GRADE LEVEL AT LEAST EQUIVALENT TO THAT OF POLICE EXECUTIVE MASTER SERGEANT: *Provided,* That PNP members assigned in Metropolitan Manila, chartered cities and first class municipalities may be paid financial incentive by the local government unit concerned subject to the availability of funds."

SEC. 11. Section 32 of Republic Act No. 8551 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 32. Promotion by Virtue of Position. – Any PNP personnel APPOINTED OR designated to any key position whose rank is lower than that which is required for such position shall, [after six (6) months of occupying the same] UPON RECOMMENDATION BY THE COMMISSION, be entitled to a rank adjustment corresponding to the position: [Provided, That the personnel shall not be reassigned to a position calling for a higher rank until after two (2) years from the date of such rank adjustment]: Provided, [further,] That any personnel APPOINTED OR designated to the position who does not possess the established minimum qualifications therefor shall occupy the same temporarily for not more than six (6) months without reappointment or extension."

SEC. 12. Congressional Oversight Committee. – There is hereby created a Congressional Oversight Committee to monitor and oversee the implementation of the provisions of this Act. The committee shall be composed of six (6) members from the Senate Committee on Public Order and Dangerous Drugs and six (6) members from the House Committee on Public Order and Safety, with the respective Chairpersons as Joint Chairpersons. The five (5) other members from each Chamber shall be designated by the Senate President and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, respectively.

Sec. 13. Appropriations. – The amount necessary for the initial implementation of this Act shall be charged against any available appropriations in the General Appropriations Act (GAA). Thereafter, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 14. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – The Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), the National Police Commission (Napolcom) and the PNP shall, within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act, promulgate the rules and regulations to effectively implement the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 15. Separability Clause. – If any provision of this Act or the application of such provision is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

SEC. 16. Repealing Clause. – All laws, executive orders, rules and regulations, inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby modified, amended or repealed accordingly.

SEC. 17. Effectivity. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,