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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 842

DESIGNATING THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE SECRETARY FOR LEGAL  
AFFAIRS (DESLA) AS ADDITIONAL MEMBER OF THE PRESIDENTIAL  
ANTI-GRAFT COMMISSION (PAGC) CREATED UNDER EXECUTIVE  
ORDER NO. 12, SERIES OF 2001, AS AMENDED

**WHEREAS**, the Presidential Anti-Graft Commission (PAGC) has been strengthened several times to demonstrate the government's firm resolve to intensify its anti-corruption efforts;

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to further strengthen the investigation and adjudication of complaints of graft and corruption within the bureaucracy;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Memorandum Order No. 295 dated February 2, 2009, the Office of the Deputy Executive Secretary for Legal Affairs (ODESLA) was primarily tasked, *inter alia*, to head the Complaints and Investigation Unit (CIU) of the Internal Affairs and Complaints Committee (IACC) in the Office of the President; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to streamline the legal processes involving PAGC and the Legal Office in the Office of the President to ensure efficient, timely and coordinated action on administrative cases filed;

**NOW THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO**, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and existing laws, do hereby order and direct:

**SECTION 1.** Section 2 of Executive Order No. 12 is hereby further amended to include the Deputy Executive Secretary for Legal Affairs (DESLA) of the Office of the President as ex-officio Commissioner.

**SECTION 2.** All Executive Orders, rules, regulations and other issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or otherwise modified accordingly.

**SECTION 3.** This Executive Order shall take effect immediately after it has been published in a newspaper of general circulation.

**DONE** in the City of Manila, Philippines this 30th day of October, 2009



By the President:

*Eduardo R. Ermita*  
EDUARDO R. ERMITA



PGMA Hologram # 51446 Executive Secretary

*Gloria M. Arroyo*

