

**MALACAÑANG**  
**Manila**

**BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES**

**MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 293**

**EXPRESSING CONCURRENCE AND RATIFICATION IN THE DEPUTATION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AND OTHER CONCERNED AGENCIES OF THE GOVERNMENT AS EMBODIED IN COMELEC RESOLUTION NO. 8528, PROMULGATED ON NOVEMBER 12, 2008, IN CONNECTION WITH THE DECEMBER 6, 2008 PLEBISCITE TO RATIFY THE CREATION OF THE FOLLOWING : (A) MUNICIPALITY OF DATU SALIBO OUT OF THE MUNICIPALITIES OF DATU SAUDI AMPATUAN AND DATU PIANG, PURSUANT TO MUSLIM MINDANAO AUTONOMY ACT (MMAA) NO. 222; (B) MUNICIPALITY OF SHARIFF SAYDONA MUSTAPHA OUT OF THE MUNICIPALITIES OF SHARIFF AGUAK, MAMASAPANO, DATU UNSAY AND DATU PIANG, PURSUANT TO MUSLIM MINDANAO AUTONOMY ACT (MMAA) NO. 225; (C) MUNICIPALITY OF ADAM OUT OF THE MUNICIPALITIES OF G.S.K. PENDATUN, PAGLAT AND PANDAG, PURSUANT TO MUSLIM MINDANAO AUTONOMY ACT (MMAA) NO. 223; AND (D) BARANGAY KANGUAN OUT OF BARANGAY POBLACION, MUNICIPALITY OF DATU PIANG, PURSUANT TO MUSLIM MINDANAO AUTONOMY ACT (MMAA) NO. 232, ALL IN THE PROVINCE OF MAGUINDANAO.**

Pursuant to Section 2, (4)(c), Article IX of the Constitution, **I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO**, President of the Republic of the Philippines, do hereby concur with Resolution No. 8528 of the Commission on Elections (COMELEC), promulgated 12 November 2008, deputizing the Department of Education (DepEd); Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH), Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), National Police Commission; and the Philippine National Police (PNP), for the purpose of ensuring free, orderly, honest, peaceful and credible conduct of the December 6, 2008 plebiscite to ratify the creation of the following : (a) Municipality of Datu Salibo out of the Municipalities of Datu Saudi Ampatuan and Datu Piang, pursuant to MMAA No. 222; (b) Municipality of Shariff Saydona Mustapha out of the Municipalities of Shariff Aguak, Mamasapano, Datu Unsay and Datu Piang, pursuant to MMAA No. 225; (c) Municipality of Adam out of the Municipalities of G.S.K. Pendatun, Paglat and Pandag, pursuant to MMAA No. 223; and (d) Barangay Kanguan out of Barangay Poblacion, Municipality of Datu Piang, pursuant to MMAA No. 232, all in the Province of Maguindanao.



The foregoing law enforcement agencies and other concerned agencies are hereby directed to coordinate and cooperate with the Commission on Elections in the performance of their duties and functions.

This Memorandum Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of *December*, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eight.

*Gloria M. Arroyo*



By the President:

  
**EDUARDO R. ERMITA**  
Executive Secretary  
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