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RESTRUCTURING AND STRENGTHENING THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE, AND CREATING ADDITIONAL POLICE OFFICES, AMENDING SECTIONS 25, 26, 28, 29, 31, 35, AND 36 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6975, OR THE "DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT OF 1990", AND SECTION 13 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8551, OR THE "PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE REFORM AND REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1998", APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Article XVI, Section 6 of the 1987 Constitution provides that "the State shall establish and maintain one police force, which shall be national in scope and civilian in character, to be administered and controlled by a National Police Commission. The authority of local executives over the police units in their jurisdiction shall be provided by law."

The Philippine National Police was created under Republic Act No. 6975, or the "Department of Interior and Local Government Act of 1990", with the mandate to enforce all laws and ordinances relative to the protection of lives and properties and to maintain peace and order to ensure public safety, among others.

Over the years, the role of the PNP has been ever more amplified especially with the growing needs of the society, coupled with the increasing demand for their presence and visibility. The safety and security of our people remains to be of paramount concern, and it is only right to allay the fears that plague the minds of our people.

Public order contributes much to society's peace of mind, and the PNP's hard work and dedication will surely enhance and protect it. Under the proposed measure, their presence and visibility will be made more palpable - especially on the ground by establishing more offices where people may raise their concerns. This, in turn, will allow our people to feel and be safer.

Peace, safety and security are the hallmarks of good governance. As we journey towards a better and brighter tomorrow, our efforts must be complemented by investing in this important law enforcement agency by allowing it to spread its roots on the ground - sending a message loud and clear: the government continues to uphold protective measures for our people.

The proposed measure will revitalize this agency - empowering it further so that it may effectively perform its duties and live up to its mandate. With almost three decades since its establishment, the needed review of its existing organizational structure has come into its rightful time.

In view of fully realizing its core values - "Maka-Diyos, Maka-Bayan, Maka-tao, at Maka-kalikasan", the immediate passage of this measure is earnestly sought.

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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 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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"Section 25. Organization. — The PNP shall be headed by a Chief who shall be assisted by two (2) **D**eputy **C**hiefs, one (1) for administration and one (1) for operations, 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.

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The PNP shall be composed of a national office, AREA POLICE COMMANDS, SPECIAL POLICE OFFICES, regional offices, provincial offices, district offices, CITY OFFICES, city or municipal stations, AND POLICE COMMUNITY PRECINCTS.

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At the national level, the PNP shall maintain its office in Metropolitan Manila which shall house the directorial staff, **NATIONAL** 

ADMINISTRATIVE AND OPERATIONAL SUPPORT UNITS, and

**ESTABLISHED AREA POLICE** COMMANDS IN CLUSTERED POLICE REGIONAL, PROVINCIAL, OR CITY OFFICES OR IN CONTIGUOUS AREAS.

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 Regions of the Cordilleras and Muslim Mindanao relative to the creation of a regional police force in the area of autonomy. POLICE REGIONAL **OFFICES** shall be headed by **Regional DirectorS**.

# AT THE METROPOLITAN LEVEL, THERE SHALL BE DISTRICT OFFICES, EACH HEADED BY A DISTRICT DIRECTOR.

At the provincial level, there shall be a **POLICE PROVINCIAL** office, each headed by a Provincial Director. In the case of large provinces, police districts may be established by the Commission to be headed by a **PROVINCIAL** District Director.

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

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

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UNDER EACH POLICE STATION, POLICE COMMUNITY PRECINCTS SHALL BE ESTABLISHED IN EVERY BARANGAY OR

# CLUSTERED BARANGAYS TO SERVE AS THE PRIMARY PROVIDERS OF POLICE SERVICES IN THE COMMUNITY.

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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.

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

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"SEC. 25-A. CREATION OF AREA POLICE COMMANDS. -IN ORDER TO ENHANCE THE SPAN OF CONTROL OF THE CHIEF, PNP, THERE SHALL BE ESTABLISHED AREA POLICE COMMANDS IN CLUSTERED POLICE REGIONAL, PROVINCIAL, OR CITY OFFICES OR IN CONTIGUOUS AREAS. THE AREA POLICE COMMANDS SHALL ORCHESTRATE, SUPERVISE AND CONTROL THE CONDUCT OF INTER-REGIONAL OPERATIONS AGAINST INSURGENCY, TERRORISM, AND CRIMINALITY, TRANSNATIONAL CRIMES WHICH TRANSCEND REGIONAL **BOUNDARIES. IT SHALL LIKEWISE CONDUCT RESCUE AND RELIEF OPERATIONS IN TIMES OF CALAMITIES AND OTHER EMERGENCY SITUATIONS WITHIN THEIR RESPECTIVE AREAS** OF JURISDICTION.

INITIALLY, FIVE AREA POLICE COMMANDS SHALL BE ACTIVATED NAMELY:

- (A) NORTHERN LUZON AREA POLICE COMMAND;
- (B) SOUTHERN LUZON AREA POLICE COMMAND;
- (C) VISAYAS AREA POLICE COMMAND;
- (D) EASTERN MINDANAO AREA POLICE COMMAND; AND

# (E) WESTERN MINDANAO AREA POLICE COMMAND.

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

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"SEC. 25-B. PNP DIRECTORIAL STAFF. - THE DIRECTORIAL STAFF SYSTEM SHALL BE IMPLEMENTED TO ENHANCE THE SPAN OF CONTROL BEING EXERCISED BY THE CPNP IN THE ADMINISTRATION, OPERATION, AND CONTROL OF THE PNP AND TO FURTHER STRENGTHEN THE EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE WORKING RELATIONSHIP OF ALL PNP OFFICES. THE FOLLOWING DIRECTORATES SHALL CONTINUE TO PERFORM THEIR SPECIFIC FUNCTIONS UNDER THE SUPERVISION AND AUTHORITY OF THE CHIEF, DIRECTORIAL STAFF:

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(A) THE DIRECTORATE FOR PERSONNEL AND RECORDS MANAGEMENT (DPRM) SHALL ASSIST AND ADVISE THE CHIEF, PNP IN THE EXERCISE OF THE MANAGEMENT OF PNP UNIFORMED AND NON-UNIFORMED PERSONNEL, MANPOWER PROCUREMENT AND CONTROL, PERSONNEL RECORDS AND REPORTS, DISCIPLINE, MORALE AND WELFARE, LAW AND PERSONNEL ORDER. SERVICES AND **PERSONNEL** PROCEDURES, AND MISCELLANEOUS FUNCTIONS ASSIGNED BY THE CHIEF, PNP. IT SHALL DIRECT AND SUPERVISE THE **OPERATIONS OF THE LEGAL SERVICE (LS), CHAPLAIN SERVICE** (CHS), HEALTH SERVICE (HS), PNP RETIREMENT AND BENEFIT ADMINISTRATION SERVICE (PRBS) AND PNP RECRUITMENT AND SELECTION SERVICE (PRSS).

THE DIRECTORATE FOR PERSONNEL AND RECORDS MANAGEMENT SHALL GIVE PRIORITY TO THE LEGAL ASSISTANCE AND PROSECUTORIAL SUPPORT BY EXPANDING AND ENHANCING THE LEGAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, TO INCLUDE LEGAL INVESTIGATIVE SUPPORT FOR PERSONNEL CHARGED, EITHER ADMINISTRATIVELY OR CRIMINALLY, IN THE PERFORMANCE OF OFFICIAL DUTIES:

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(B) THE DIRECTORATE FOR INTELLIGENCE (DI) SHALL ASSIST AND ADVISE THE CHIEF, PNP IN ATTAINING INTELLIGENCE **OBJECTIVES** THROUGH **EFFECTIVE** MANAGEMENT OF ALL INTELLIGENCE AND COUNTERINTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES OF THE PNP. IT SHALL DIRECT AND SUPERVISE THE OPERATIONS OF THE INTEGRITY MONITORING AND ENFORCEMENT GROUP (IMEG) AND THE INTELLIGENCE GROUP (IG) AND THE ACTIVITIES OF THE INTELLIGENCE DIVISIONS OF THE OTHER NATIONAL SUPPORT UNITS AND POLICE REGIONAL OFFICES, INCLUDING THEIR SUBORDINATE INTELLIGENCE OFFICES.

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THE DIRECTORATE FOR INTELLIGENCE SHALL GIVE PRIORITY TO THE DEVELOPMENT AND ENHANCEMENT OF THE INTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS OF THE PNP AND ITS CAPABILITY FOR INFORMATION COLLECTION, PROCESSING AND DISSEMINATION, INCLUDING THE ENHANCEMENT OF ITS AERIAL SURVEILLANCE CAPABILITIES THROUGH THE UPGRADE OF ITS MODEST EQUIPMENT AND THE ACQUISITION OF MODERN TECHNOLOGY, TOOLS AND FACILITIES;

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(C) THE DIRECTORATE FOR OPERATIONS (DO) SHALL ASSIST AND ADVISE THE CHIEF, PNP IN THE EXERCISE OF THE COMMAND, CONTROL, DIRECTION, COORDINATION, AND

SUPERVISION OF ALL ACTIVITIES CONCERNING OPERATIONS, EMPLOYMENT AND DEPLOYMENT OF THE PNP. IT SHALL OVERSEE THE NATIONAL OPERATIONAL SUPPORT UNITS (NOSUS) WHICH ARE CHARGED WITH SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES SUCH AS, BUT NOT LIMITED TO: (I) PERFORMING ALL POLICE FUNCTIONS OVER PHILIPPINE TERRITORIAL WATERS AND RIVERS; (II) CONDUCTING OPERATIONS AGAINST ALL FORMS OF LAWLESSNESS COMMITTED ALONG NATIONAL HIGHWAYS AND AIRPORTS IN THE COUNTRY; (III) DETERRING OFFENSIVE AND TERRORISTIC ACTS THAT THREATEN CIVIL AVIATION; AND (IV) PREVENTING AND CONTROLLING TRANSNATIONAL CRIMES AND OTHER CRIMES THAT HAVE SIGNIFICANCE.

THE SPECIAL ACTION FORCE (SAF), THE MARITIME GROUP (MG), THE AVIATION SECURITY GROUP (AVSEGROUP), THE HIGHWAY PATROL GROUP (HPG), THE POLICE SECURITY AND PROTECTION GROUP (PSPG), THE CIVIL SECURITY GROUP (CSG), EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL AND CANINE GROUP (EOD/K9), ANTI KIDNAPPING GROUP (AKG), AND PNP DRUG ENFORCEMENT GROUP (PNP DEG) AND OTHER NOSUS THAT SHALL BE DEEMED NECESSARY FROM TIME TO TIME. IT SHALL ALSO SUPERVISE THE PEACE PROCESS AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER (PPDC).

THE DIRECTORATE FOR OPERATIONS SHALL GIVE PRIORITY TO THE FOLLOWING AREAS OF CONCERN:

1) ENHANCEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE ANTI-CARNAPPING CAPABILITIES OF THE PNP TO

ADDRESS THE INCIDENCE OF CARNAPPING AND OTHER HIGHWAY-RELATED CRIMES;

2) IMPROVEMENT OF THE ANTI-TERRORISM OPERATIONS OF THE PNP AND ITS INSTITUTIONAL CAPABILITIES INCLUDING THE PROMOTION, COOPERATION, COORDINATION AND UTILIZATION OF THE MULTI-LATERAL MECHANISMS WITH DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, TO DEAL WITH TERRORIST ACTIVITIES, AS MAY BE DEFINED BY LAW;

3) DEVELOPMENT OF THE CIVIL DISTURBANCE DOCTRINES FOR AN EFFECTIVE CIVIL DISTURBANCE MANAGEMENT CONSISTENT WITH THE CONSTITUTIONAL AND STATUTORY PROVISION ON HUMAN RIGHTS AS WELL AS THE ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT AND DEVICES NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THESE DOCTRINES;

4) IMPROVEMENT OF THE INSTITUTIONAL CAPABILITIES OF THE DISASTER RELIEF AND RESCUE OPERATIONS OF THE PNP TO PREPARE AND RESPOND TO ALL TYPES OF DISASTER AND NATIONAL EMERGENCIES AS WELL AS THE DEVELOPMENT OF COORDINATED EFFORTS WITH OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND RELIEF ORGANIZATIONS IN RESPONDING TO THE SAME;

5) DEVELOPMENT OF THE CAPABILITY OF THE PNP
IN THE ENFORCEMENT OF LAWS RELATING TO ILLEGAL
DRUGS AND EXPANDING THE COVERAGE OF ITS
CAMPAIGN AGAINST DRUG ABUSE SUPPRESSION IN

COORDINATION WITH AND IN SUPPORT TO THE PHILIPPINE DRUG ENFORCEMENT AGENCY:

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6) PREPARATION AND DEVELOPMENT CAPABILITY OF THE PNP TO CONDUCT INTERNAL PEACE AND SECURITY OPERATIONS, AS PROVIDED BY LAW;

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7) DEVELOPMENT OF THE MARITIME PATROL CAPABILITIES OF THE PNP IN THE PERFORMANCE OF ITS DUTIES ON ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION AS WELL AS ENSURING MARITIME SECURITY. THE CONDUCT OF OPERATIONS AGAINST ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES IN THE MARITIME AREAS SUCH AS ILLEGAL FISHING, PIRACY, SMUGGLING AND ILLEGAL TRAFFICKING OF CONTRABAND SHALL LIKEWISE BE INCLUDED IN THE IMPROVEMENT;

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OF PATROL **COVERAGE** 8) ENHANCEMENT THROUGH THE UPGRADE AND ACQUISITION OF COMMUNICATIONS **EQUIPMENT** AND **MOBILITY EQUIPAGE TO IMPROVE RESPONSE TIME** AND INTENSIFY CRIME PREVENTION. IT INCLUDES THE INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF PATROLLING AS A MAJOR PROJECT UNDER THE CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAM OF THE PNP. IT SHALL LIKEWISE INCLUDE INTEGRATION OF ITS SECURITY SYSTEMS WITH THE SYSTEMS OF **GOVERNMENT SYSTEM** AGENCIES. THE OTHER INVOLVE TRAINING AND INTEGRATION SHALL **UPGRADE OF ACQUISITION** OR SCALABLE INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY EOUIPMENT TO STRENGTHEN CRIME PREVENTION, TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE;

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9) DEVELOPMENT OF A TRAFFIC LAW **ENFORCEMENT AND MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR AN** IMPROVED TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL; AND

10) ENHANCEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE ANTI-KIDNAPPING CAPABILITIES OF THE PNP TO ADDRESS AND EFFECTIVELY SUPPRESS KIDNAPPINGS IN THE COUNTRY.

(D) THE DIRECTORATE FOR LOGISTICS (DL) SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT OF LOGISTICS AND ITS FUNCTIONAL AREAS. IT SHALL DIRECT AND SUPERVISE THE OPERATIONS OF THE HEADQUARTERS SUPPORT SERVICE (HSS), THE ENGINEERING SERVICE (ES) AND THE LOGISTICS SUPPORT SERVICE (LSS).

DIRECTORATE FOR LOGISTICS SHALL GIVE PRIORITY TO INTEGRATED LOGISTICS SUPPORT ENHANCING THE LOGISTICS CAPABILITY OF THE PNP FOR SUSTAINED LAW ENFORCEMENT, PUBLIC SECURITY AND INTERNAL SECURITY OPERATIONS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY;

(E) THE DIRECTORATE FOR PLANS (DPL) SHALL ASSIST AND ADVISE THE CHIEF, 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 AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, LEGISLATIVE AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS THAT ARE NEEDED FOR THE EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION AND OPERATION OF THE PNP.

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(F) THE DIRECTORATE FOR COMPTROLLERSHIP (DC) SHALL ASSIST AND ADVISE THE CHIEF, PNP ON BUDGETING, ACCOUNTING, FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, AND INTERNAL AUDITING. IT SHALL DIRECT AND SUPERVISE THE OPERATIONS OF THE FINANCE SERVICE (FS);

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(G) THE DIRECTORATE FOR POLICE COMMUNITY AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT (DCAD) SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PLANNING DIRECTING, COORDINATING AND OF THE **IMPLEMENTATION** OF THE **SUPERVISING** SUSTAINABLE PROGRAMS FOR INSTITUTIONAL IMAGE **BUILDING; CITIZENS' PARTICIPATION IN THE MAINTENANCE** OF PUBLIC ORDER INCLUDING PEACE POLICY FOR SOCIO-**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; VALUE ORIENTATION AND EDUCATION; GENDER AWARENESS AND** CONTINUING DEVELOPMENT (GAD); AND AUXILIARY FORCE MULTIPLIER DEVELOPMENT. THE PNP COMMUNITY AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT GROUP (PCADG) SHALL SERVE AS ITS OPERATING ARM.

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THE DIRECTORATE FOR POLICE COMMUNITY AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT SHALL GIVE PRIORITY TO THE COMMUNITY AND SERVICE ORIENTED POLICING SYSTEMS (CSOP) IN THE RATIONALIZATION OF THE POLICE OPERATIONS INTO A PRO-ACTIVE, COMMUNITY-ORIENTED AND HUMAN RIGHTS-BASED POLICING SYSTEM IN PLACE OF THE CURRENT REACTIVE, PRECINCT-BASED POLICING SYSTEM;

(H) THE DIRECTORATE FOR INVESTIGATION AND DETECTIVE MANAGEMENT (DIDM) SHALL DIRECT, CONTROL, COORDINATE, AND SUPERVISE THE INVESTIGATION ACTIVITIES OF THE PNP. IT SHALL DIRECT AND SUPERVISE THE OPERATIONS OF THE CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION AND DETECTION GROUP (CIDG); CRIME LABORATORY (CRIME LAB); THE WOMEN AND CHILDREN PROTECTION GROUP (WCPG); AND THE ANTI-CYBERCRIME GROUP (ACG). IT SHALL ALSO SUPERVISE THE HUMAN RIGHTS AFFAIRS OFFICE (HRAO), CRIME RESEARCH ANALYSIS CENTER (CRAC) AND CRIME INFORMATION MONITORING CENTER (CIMC);

AND THE DIRECTORATE FOR INVESTIGATION DETECTIVE MANAGEMENT SHALL GIVE PRIORITY TO THE ENHANCEMENT OF THE LEGAL AND SCIENTIFIC CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION OF THE PNP THROUGH CAPABILITY **ENHANCEMENT OF INVESTIGATIONS AND THE UTILIZATION** TECHNIOUES, IMPROVED CRIME LABORATORY OF METHODOLOGIES AND RESPONSIVE PROCEDURES; AND THE **DEVELOPMENT OF THE ANTI-CYBERCRIME CAPABILITIES OF** THE PNP TO ADDRESS THE GROWING INCIDENCE OF CYBERCRIME IN THE COUNTRY:

(I) THE DIRECTORATE FOR TRAINING, EDUCATION AND DOCTRINE DEVELOPMENT (DTEDD) SHALL BE IN-CHARGE WITH THE FORMULATION OF POLICIES AND IN THE PLANNING, COORDINATION, AND SUPERVISION OF ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO TRAINING, EDUCATION AND DOCTRINE DEVELOPMENT. IT SHALL DIRECT AND SUPERVISE THE OPERATIONS OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE ACADEMY (PNPA), THE NATIONAL POLICE TRAINING INSTITUTE (NPTI), AND POLICE EDUCATORS OFFICE (PEO);

(J) THE DIRECTORATE FOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (DRD) SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CONDUCT OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, TEST AND EVALUATION AND FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF SELF-RELIANT DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS (SRDP) OF THE PNP, WHICH ARE IMPORTANT TO PEACE AND ORDER AND PUBLIC SAFETY. IT SHALL DIRECT AND SUPERVISE THE OPERATIONS OF THE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER (RDC); AND

(K) THE DIRECTORATE FOR INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT (DICTM)

SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR 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 AND FACILITIES TO ALL PNP OFFICES AND UNITS.

IT SHALL LIKEWISE BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DESIGN, IMPLEMENTATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE DATABASE

SYSTEM OF THE ORGANIZATION. THE DICTM SHALL DIRECT AND SUPERVISE THE OPERATIONS OF THE INFORMATION

TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT SERVICE (ITMS), AND THE

COMMUNICATION AND ELECTRONIC SERVICE (CES).

THE DIRECTORATE FOR INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT (DICTM) SHALL GIVE PRIORITY TO THE INTEGRATED INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM OF THE PNP THROUGH THE

UPGRADE AND ACQUISITION OF CENTRALIZED INFORMATION
AND COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM FOR FASTER
COORDINATION, COMMAND, AND CONTROL OF OPERATIONAL
AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES.

SECTION 4. A new Section 25-C is hereby inserted in Republic Act No. 6975 to read as follows:

"SEC. 25-C. SPECIAL POLICE OFFICES. - SUBJECT TO THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE NAPOLCOM AND APPROVAL OF THE PRESIDENT, THE CHIEF, PNP MAY AUTHORIZE THE CREATION OF SPECIAL POLICE OFFICES, SUCH AS BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

(A) CENTER FOR POLICE STRATEGY MANAGEMENT – HEADED BY A CHIEF WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE CENTER FOR POLICE STRATEGY MANAGEMENT UNDER THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF, PNP SHALL SERVE AS THE CENTRAL FACILITY OF THE ORGANIZATION IN COORDINATING AND INTEGRATING ALL STRATEGY MANAGEMENT PROCESSES, SUSTAINING ITS STRATEGY EXECUTION AND MANAGEMENT, AND INSTILLING IN THE ORGANIZATION A CULTURE OF STRATEGIC FOCUS.

(B) PNP HUMAN RIGHTS AFFAIRS OFFICE — HEADED BY A CHIEF WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE HUMAN RIGHTS AFFAIRS OFFICE UNDER THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF, PNP 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 CHIEF, WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER

GENERAL, THE PEACE PROCESS AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER SHALL BE THE OFFICE PRIMARILY RESPONSIBLE IN THE MONITORING OF THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF PEACE AGREEMENTS AND PERTINENT LAWS.

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(D) PNP COMMAND CENTER - HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE PNP COMMAND CENTER SHALL BE THE MAIN MONITORING FACILITY OF THE PNP OF ALL EVENTS AND ORDER SITUATION AFFECTING THE PEACE NATIONWIDE. IT SHALL SERVE AS THE MAIN COORDINATING CENTER FOR ALL OPERATING AND SUPPORT UNITS IN PURSUANCE OF PNP LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND INTERNAL SECURITY, SPECIAL OPERATIONS, RECORDS/STATISTICS COMPILATION FUNCTIONS.

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(E) PNP PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE – HEADED BY A CHIEF WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE PUBLIC INFORMATION 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."

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

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"Section 26. APPOINTMENT, TERM OF OFFICE, *Powers,*AND Functions. – THE CHIEF OF THE PNP SHALL BE APPOINTED
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DOWN TO THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL 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 SHALL BE DESIGNATED AS CHIEF OF THE PNP: PROVIDED, FURTHER, THAT IN CASE THE CHIEF OF THE PNP RESIGNS, IS INCAPACITATED, OR REMOVED FOR CAUSE, THE POSITION SHALL BE CONSIDERED VACANT: PROVIDED, FURTHERMORE, THAT IN CASE THE CHIEF OF THE PNP IS RELIEVED OR SUSPENDED, THE PRESIDENT SHALL DESIGNATE AN ACTING CHIEF OF THE PNP FROM AMONG THE SENIOR OFFICERS WITH THE RANK OF POLICE LIEUTENANT GENERAL.

THE CHIEF, PNP SHALL SERVE A TERM OF OFFICE NOT TO EXCEED FOUR (4) YEARS: PROVIDED, THAT IN TIMES OF WAR OR OTHER NATIONAL EMERGENCY DECLARED BY CONGRESS, THE PRESIDENT MAY EXTEND SUCH TERM OF OFFICE.

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 the respect to the units under their respective commands, in accordance with the rules and regulation 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, records, 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 IS AUTHORIZED TO IMPLEMENT NECESSARY ADJUSTMENTS IN THE ORGANIZATIONAL

STRUCTURE, STAFFING, FUNCTIONS, AND FUNCTIONAL **ATTAINMENT** TO SUSTAIN THE **RELATIONSHIPS INCREASED POLICE VISIBILITY, EFFICIENCY, AND OPTIMIZED** DELIVERY OF POLICE SERVICES: PROVIDED, THAT, THE NUMBER AND CORRESPONDING **CHANGES** IN THE **UPGRADING** TO INCLUDE DISTRIBUTION **OF** RANKS, THEREOF, SHALL BE RECOMMENDED BY THE CHIEF OF THE PNP FOR APPROVAL OF THE NAPOLCOM, EXCEPT FOR THE RANKS OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, POLICE MAJOR GENERAL, AND POLICE LIEUTENANT GENERAL, WHICH SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE NAPOLCOM AND **APPROVAL OF THE PRESIDENT."** 

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Sec. 6. Section 28. of Republic Act No. 6975 as amended by Republic Act No. 11200 is further amended to read as follows:

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- "Section 28. Rank Classification. For purposes of clarity of command and responsibility, and for the effective and efficient administration, supervision and control, the rank classification of the uniformed personnel of the PNP shall be as follows:
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- 22 Police Lieutenant General
- 23 Police Major General
- 24 Police Brigadier General
- 25 Police Colonel
- 26 Police Lieutenant Colonel
- 27 Police Major
- 28 Police Captain
- 29 Police Lieutenant
- 30 POLICE CADET
- Police Executive Master Sergeant
- 32 Police Chief Master Sergeant

Police Senior Master Sergeant
 Police Master Sergeant
 Police Staff Sergeant
 Police Corporal
 Patrolman/Patrolwoman"

Sec. 7. Section 29 of Republic Act No. 6975 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 29. Key Positions. – The head of the PNP with the rank of **POLICE GENERAL** shall have the position title of Chief of the PNP.

THE CHIEF OF THE PNP SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A SENIOR POLICE ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND A SENIOR POLICE ASSISTANT TO THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL. THERE SHALL ALSO BE POLICE ATTACHES' OCCUPYING THE POSITION OF POLICE OFFICER AND DIPLOMAT, WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL.

The second in command of the PNP with the rank of **POLICE LIEUTENANT GENERAL** shall be the Deputy Chief of the PNP for Administration. The third in command with the rank also of **POLICE LIEUTENANT GENERAL** shall be the Deputy Chief of the PNP for Operations.

At the national office, the head of the directorial staff with the rank of **POLICE LIEUTENANT GENERAL** shall be known as Chief of the Directorial Staff of the PNP **AND SHALL BE ASSISTED BY THE SECRETARY TO THE DIRECTORIAL STAFF WHO SHALL HAVE THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL.** 

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

The heads of the various directorial staff shall have the rank of POLICE MAJOR GENERAL with the position title of Director of THEIR RESPECTIVE Directorial Staff. THEY SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND AN EXECUTIVE OFFICER BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL.

The head of the NCR POLICE OFFICE (NCRPO) with the rank of POLICE MAJOR GENERAL shall assume the position title of NCRPO REGIONAL Director AND SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY REGIONAL DIRECTOR FOR ADMINISTRATION AND A DEPUTY REGIONAL DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, AND A CHIEF OF REGIONAL STAFF WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL. SHOULD POLICE REGIONAL OFFICES, INCLUDING THE NCRPO, BE DIVIDED INTO TWO (2) SEPARATE REGIONS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 25 HEREOF, EACH MAY BE HEADED BY A REGIONAL DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL.

The heads of **ALL OTHER POLICE** regional offices with the rank of **POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL** shall assume the position title of Regional Director. **THE REGIONAL DIRECTORS OF ALL OTHER POLICE REGIONAL OFFICES SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY REGIONAL DIRECTOR FOR ADMINISTRATION WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, A DEPUTY REGIONAL** 

| 1  | DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS WITH THE RANK OF A POLICE                            |
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| 2  | COLONEL AND A CHIEF OF REGIONAL STAFF WITH THE RANK                          |
| 3  | OF POLICE COLONEL.   |
| 4  |  |
| 5  | The heads of the <b>POLICE</b> districtS <b>ESTABLISHED</b> in the NCR       |
| 6  | AND IN OTHER METROPOLITAN AREAS with the rank of POLICE                      |
| 7  | BRIGADIER GENERAL shall have the position title of District Director.        |
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| 9  | The heads of <b>POLICE</b> provincial offices with the rank of <b>POLICE</b> |
| 10 | COLONEL shall be known as Provincial Director.                               |
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| 12 | THE HEADS OF CITY POLICE OFFICES WITH THE RANK OF                            |
| 13 | POLICE COLONEL SHALL HAVE THE POSITION TITLE OF CITY                         |
| 14 | DIRECTOR.  |
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| 16 | The heads of POLICE districtS ESTABLISHED IN LARGE                           |
| 17 | PROVINCES with the rank of POLICE LIEUTENANT COLONEL shall                   |
| 18 | have the position title of <b>PROVINCIAL</b> District Director.              |
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| 20 | The heads of the <b>POLICE STATIONS ESTABLISHED AT THE</b>                   |
| 21 | municipal or city LEVEL with the rank of AT LEAST POLICE MAJOR               |
| 22 | shall be known as Chief of Police."  |
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| 24 | Sec. 8. Section 31 of Republic Act No. 6975 is hereby amended to read as     |
| 25 | follows:   |
| 26 | "Section 31. Appointment of PNP Officers and Members. —                      |
| 27 | The appointment of the officers and members of the PNP shall be              |
| 28 | effected in the following manner:  |
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| 30 | (a) PATROLMAN/PATROLWOMAN to Police Executive Master                         |
| 31 | Sergeant Appointed by the PNP regional director for                          |

| 1  | regional personnel or by the Chief of the PNP for the national                    |
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| 2  | headquarters personnel and attested by the Commission;                            |
| 3  |   |
| 4  | (b) POLICE CADETS APPOINTED BY THE CHIEF OF THE                                   |
| 5  | PNP AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DIRECTOR,   |
| 6  | PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE ACADEMY;   |
| 7  |   |
| 8  | (c) POLICE LIEUTENANT to POLICE LIEUTENANT  |
| 9  | COLONEL Appointed by the Chief of the PNP, as                                     |
| 10 | recommended by their immediate superiors, attested by the                         |
| 11 | Commission;   |
| 12 |   |
| 13 | (d) POLICE COLONEL to POLICE LIEUTENANT GENERAL                                   |
| 14 | Appointed by the President upon recommendation of the chief                       |
| 15 | of the PNP, with proper endorsement by the Chairman of the                        |
| 16 | Commission; AND   |
| 17 |   |
| 18 | (e) POLICE GENERAL APPOINTED IN ACCORDANCE  |
| 19 | WITH SECTION 26 HEREOF.   |
| 20 |   |
| 21 | Sec. 9. Section 35 of Republic Act No. 6975 is hereby amended to read as follows: |
| 22 | "Section 35. NATIONAL Support Units. – The PNP shall be                           |
| 23 | supported by NATIONAL administrative and operational support units.               |
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| 25 | THE FOLLOWING NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE AND   |
| 26 | OPERATIONAL SUPPORT UNITS SHALL CONTINUE TO                                       |
| 27 | PERFORM THEIR RESPECTIVE FUNCTIONS:   |
| 28 |   |
| 29 | (a) <b>NATIONAL</b> Administrative Support Units. – (1)                           |
| 30 | PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE ACADEMY HEADED BY A                                    |
| 31 | DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE MAJOR GENERAL, THE                               |
| 32 | 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 A CHIEF OF STAFF, BOTH WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL. THE DIRECTOR, PNPA SHALL SUPERVISE THE ACADEMICS GROUP AND TACTICS GROUP WHICH SHALL BOTH BE HEADED BY A DEAN ON ACADEMICS AND COMMANDANT OF CADETS, RESPECTIVELY, BOTH WITH A RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL.

(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 A RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL.

(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 FOR LOGISTICS SUPPORT SERVICE SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR 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 FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS SERVICE SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR 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 FOR INFORMATION AND TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR 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 FOR FINANCE SERVICE SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR 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 FOR HEALTH SERVICE SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

(8) PNP 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 FOR TRAINING SERVICE SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

(9) PNP RETIREMENT AND BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION SERVICE. — HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE POLICE RETIREMENT AND BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ADMINISTERING THE RETIREMENT, SEPARATION, AND DEATH BENEFITS OF PNP PERSONNEL AS WELL AS THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PLANS AND PROGRAMS TO UPLIFT THE MORALE AND WELFARE OF THE PNP RETIREES AND THEIR BENEFICIARIES. THE DIRECTOR FOR PNP RETIREMENT AND BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR 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 FOR HEADQUARTERS SUPPORT SERVICE SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

(11) PNP 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 FOR CHAPLAIN SERVICE SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

(12) PNP 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 FOR ENGINEERING SERVICE SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

(13) PNP 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, ACT AS LEGAL COUNSEL OF THE CHIEF OF THE PNP, REPRESENT SUBORDINATE POLICE OFFICES AND HEADS THEREOF IN CIVIL, CRIMINAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS THAT AROSE FROM SERVICE-CONNECTED CASES, AND RENDER ON POLICE **OPERATIONS** AND **OPINION** LEGAL ADMINISTRATION. THE DIRECTOR FOR LEGAL SERVICE SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

LAWYERS ASSIGNED WITH THE LEGAL SERVICE SHALL IN ADDITION TO OTHER ALLOWANCES AUTHORIZED UNDER EXISTING LAWS SHALL BE GRANTED OCCUPATIONAL SPECIALTY PAY AT LEAST FIFTY PERCENT (50%) OF THEIR BASIC PAY, THIS SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED A FORFEITURE

OF OTHER REMUNERATION AND ALLOWANCES WHICH ARE ALLOWED UNDER EXISTING LAWS.

(14) PNP RECRUITMENT AND SELECTION SERVICE. –
HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE
BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE PNP 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 FOR POLICE
RECRUITMENT AND SELECTION SERVICE SHALL BE ASSISTED
BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR 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 FOR CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION AND DETECTION GROUP SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL.

(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.

THE GROUP SHALL LIKEWISE SUPERVISE THE LICENSING AND REGISTRATION OF FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES, THROUGH THE FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES OFFICE, HEADED BY A CHIEF WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL.

THE APPROVAL APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSES TO OPERATE PRIVATE SECURITY AGENCIES, AS WELL AS THE ISSUANCE OF LICENSES TO SECURITY GUARDS AND THE LICENSING OF FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES, SHALL BE DECENTRALIZED TO THE PNP REGIONAL OFFICES, THROUGH THE SUPERVISORY OFFICE FOR SECURITY AND INVESTIGATION AGENCIES, HEADED BY A CHIEF WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL.

THE DIRECTOR FOR CIVIL SECURITY GROUP SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL.

(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 FOR CIVIL DISTURBANCE CONTROL, COUNTERINSURGENCY, HOSTAGETAKING RESCUE OPERATIONS, AND OTHER SPECIAL OPERATIONS.

THE DIRECTOR OF THE SPECIAL ACTION FORCE SHALL BE ASSISTED BY DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL.

THE FORCE SHALL HAVE THREE BRIGADES, ONE FOR LUZON, VISAYAS, MINDANAO, EACH HEADED BY A COMMANDER WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL.

(4) MARITIME GROUP. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE MARITIME GROUP SHALL PERFORM ALL POLICE FUNCTIONS OVER PHILIPPINE TERRITORIAL WATERS AND RIVERS. THE DIRECTOR FOR MARITIME GROUP SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

(5) INTELLIGENCE GROUP. – HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE INTELLIGENCE GROUP SHALL SERVE AS THE INTELLIGENCE AND COUNTERINTELLIGENCE OPERATING UNIT OF THE PNP. THE DIRECTOR FOR INTELLIGENCE GROUP SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

- (6) 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 FOR POLICE SECURITY AND
  PROTECTION GROUP SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY
  DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.
- (7) PNP DRUG ENFORCEMENT GROUP. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE DRUG ENFORCEMENT GROUP SHALL ENFORCE ALL LAWS RELATIVE TO THE PROTECTION OF THE CITIZENRY AGAINST DANGEROUS AND OTHER PROHIBITED DRUGS AND SUBSTANCE. THE DIRECTOR FOR DRUG ENFORCEMENT GROUP SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.
- (8) AVIATION SECURITY GROUP. HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER 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 FOR AVIATION SECURITY GROUP SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

 (9) HIGHWAY PATROL GROUP. – HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE HIGHWAY PATROL GROUP SHALL ENFORCE TRAFFIC LAWS AND REGULATIONS. THE DIRECTOR FOR HIGHWAY PATROL GROUP SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

(10) PNP FORENSIC GROUP. - THERE SHALL BE ESTABLISHED A FORENSIC GROUP TO BE HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER 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 FOR FORENSIC GROUP SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

(11) POLICE COMMUNITY AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT GROUP. – HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE MAJOR GENERAL, THE POLICE COMMUNITY AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT GROUP SHALL IMPLEMENT PLANS AND

PROGRAMS THAT WILL PROMOTE COMMUNITY AND CITIZENS'
PARTICIPATION IN THE MAINTENANCE OF PEACE AND ORDER
AND PUBLIC SAFETY. THE DIRECTOR FOR POLICE COMMUNITY
AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT GROUP SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A
DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER
GENERAL.

(12) PNP 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 FOR ANTI-KIDNAPPING GROUP SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

(13) PNP ANTI-CYBERCRIME GROUP. - HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER 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 FOR ANTI-CYBERCRIME GROUP SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE COLONEL.

(14) PNP EXPLOSIVES AND ORDNANCE AND CANINE GROUP. - HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WITH THE RANK OF POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL, THE EXPLOSIVES AND ORDNANCE/K9 GROUP SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MANAGEMENT, DEPLOYMENT, UTILIZATION, AND DEVELOPMENT OF EOD AND CANINE UNITS OF THE PNP. THE DIRECTOR FOR EXPLOSIVES AND ORDNANCE AND CANINE GROUP SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR 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.

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

THE DIRECTOR FOR INTEGRITY MONITORING AND ENFORCEMENT GROUP SHALL BE ASSISTED BY A DEPUTY DIRECTOR 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 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: 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 13 of Republic Act No. 8551 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 13. Authority of the Commission to Reorganize the PNP. – Notwithstanding the provisions of Republic Act No. 6975 on the organizational structure and rank classification of the PNP, the Commission shall conduct a management audit, and prepare and submit to THE PRESIDENT a proposed reorganization plan of the PNP WITHIN NINETY (90) DAYS FROM THE EFFECTIVITY OF THIS ACT, subject to the limitations provided under this Act and based on the following criteria: a) increased police visibility through dispersal of personnel from the headquarters to the field offices and by the appointment and assignment of non-uniformed personnel to positions which are purely administrative, technical, clerical or menial in nature and other positions which are not actually and directly related to police operation; and b) efficient and optimized delivery of police services to the communities.

The PNP reorganization program shall be approved by **THE PRESIDENT**."

- Sec. 12. *Appropriations.* The amount necessary to cover the initial implementation of this Act shall be charged against the current year's appropriations of the Philippine National Police. Thereafter, the amount necessary for its continued implementation shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act of the PNP.
- Sec. 13. *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. 14. *Repealing Clause.* All other provisions of Republic Act No. 6975, as amended by Republic Act No. 8551, otherwise known as the "P*hilippine National Police Reform and Reorganization Act of 1998*", that have reference to the foregoing police offices and support units, the heads thereof and their corresponding ranks, and all other laws, executive orders, rules and regulations, inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, shall be deemed modified or repealed accordingly.

Sec. 15. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect after fifteen (15) days from its complete publication in the *Official Gazette* or at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines.

Approved,