[ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 273-A, December 26, 2009]

DELEGATING THE SUPERVISION OVER AUTONOMOUS REGIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

WHEREAS, under Section 15, Article X of the Constitution and under the R.A. 9054, the Organic Act for the Autonomous Region of Muslim Mindanao, the President shall exercise general supervision over autonomous regions;

WHEREAS, under the Administrative Code of 1987, the President has the power to transfer any function under the Office of the President to any department of agency;

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Administrative Code of 1987, Administrative Order No. 273 dated 27 November transferred the supervision over autonomous regions to the Department of Interior and Local Government;

WHEREAS, notwithstanding the Administrative Code of 1987, certain quarters question such transfer of supervision;

WHEREAS, delegation of power is allowed on the basis of the doctrine of "qualified political agency";

NOW THEREFORE, I, GLORIA M. ARROYO, President of the Philippines, by the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The supervision over autonomous regions is hereby delegated to the Department of Interior and Local Government.

SECTION 3. All issuances inconsistent with this order are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

Adopted: 02 Dec. 2009

(SGD.) GLORIA M. ARROYO

By the President:

(SGD.) EDUARDO R. ERMITA Executive Secretary