

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 16, April 04, 2017]

DIRECTING ALL GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES , INCLUDING GOVERNMENT-OWNED OR-CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO ADOPT THE NATIONAL SECURITY POLICY 2017-2022 IN THE FORMULATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THEIR NATIONAL SECURITY RELATED PLANS AND PROGRAMS

WHEREAS, the prime duty of government is to serve and protect the people;

WHEREAS, consistent with the President's vision of a more secure, peaceful and prosperous Filipino nation, the National Security Policy (NSP) 2017-2022 was formulated, providing guidance and a comprehensive approach in addressing national security challenges;

WHEREAS, NSP 2017-2022 was formulated in coordination and consultation with key agencies and instrumentalities of the government, and with the participation of various stakeholders, including the academe and non-governmental organizations;

WHEREAS, there is a need to harmonize the national security efforts of government and ensure that it is responsive and complementary to the country's development goals and objectives as set forth in Ambisyon Natin 2040;

WHEREAS, there is a need to ensure that the national security related strategies, plans and programs of all government departments and agencies, including government-owned or-controlled corporations (GOCCs) and local government units (LGUs), are consistent with NSP 2017 - 2022;

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 17 of the Constitution provides that the President shall have control over all of the executive departments, bureaus and offices, and shall ensure that the laws are faithfully executed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by Virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and existing laws, do hereby order:

Section 1. Adoption of the NSP 2017-2022. All government departments and agencies, including GOCCs and LGUs, shall adopt the NSP 2017-2022 in the formulation and implementation of all their plans and programs which have national security implications.

Section 2. Implementing Agency. The National Security Adviser (NSA) shall spearhead the implementation and monitoring of the NSP 2017-2022. For this purpose, the NSA is hereby authorized, upon consultation with the President, to issue memoranda circulars and other orders to implement and monitor the NSP