

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 139, September 02, 2013]

**CREATING AN OFFICE OF THE REVENUE AGENCY
MODERNIZATION (ORAM) IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
(DOF)**

WHEREAS, the present Administration is committed to increase the tax effort of the revenue generating agencies of the government from the current 12.9 percent of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) to 16 percent by 2016;

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 292, otherwise known as the " Administrative Code of 1987, " provides that the President has continuing authority to reorganize the Executive Department, allocate powers, functions and responsibilities, align resources, and provide clear direction to specific government agencies and units;

WHEREAS, under EO 292, the Department of Finance (DOF) is responsible for the formulation, institutionalization and administration of fiscal policies and for the generation and management of the financial resources of the government;

WHEREAS, consistent with the above mandate and in order to meet its fiscal and revenue targets, the DOF must spearhead efforts towards the rapid implementation of modernization, streamlining and efficiency efforts in revenue generating agencies attached to the DOF;

WHEREAS, the programs, procedures and practices of the revenue generating agencies need to be immediately upgraded, modernized and brought at par with global best practices and standards, consistent with the international commitments of the Philippines;

WHEREAS, there is a need to create a specialized body in the DOF which is tasked to implement the necessary improvements, changes and modernization of programs, procedures and practices in order to maximize the efficiency and effectiveness of the revenue collection agencies;

WHEREAS, under Section 74 of Republic Act (RA) No. 10352, or the General Appropriations Act of 2013, the President may authorize organizational and staffing pattern changes in any department, bureau and office in the Executive Branch; and

WHEREAS, Section 17, Article VII of the 1987 Constitution expressly grants the President control of all executive departments, bureaus, agencies and offices.

NOW THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Organization. There is hereby created in the DOF the ORAM, which shall be responsible for formulating and implementing the necessary improvements