

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 99, October 31, 2012]

**RECONSTITUTING THE OFFICE OF THE CABINET SECRETARIAT,
RENAMING IT AS THE OFFICE OF THE CABINET SECRETARY,
DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, PROVIDING FOR ITS
SUPPORT STAFF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, Section 1, Article VII of the 1987 Constitution vests executive power in the President of the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the President's executive power includes the power of control of all the executive departments, bureaus and offices as provided under Section 17, Article VII of the 1987 Constitution;

WHEREAS, the post of Cabinet Secretary was created on 22 December 1986, with the rank and emolument of a Member of the Cabinet, to provide support for the President, facilitate the exchange of information, as well as the discussion and resolution of issues, and act as a coordinator and integrator of the initiatives of the President;

WHEREAS, the Administration is committed to the implementation of the President's Social Contract with the Filipino People, a sixteen-point agenda that lays down the vision of government in the different priority areas of development;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Development Plan (PDP) 2011-2016, grounded on the Social Contract, translated our administration's medium-term priorities into specific goals, strategies, programs and projects;

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 43 (s. 2011) reorganized the Cabinet Clusters to orient and direct its programs, projects, and activities around key result areas of the Social Contract towards the attainment of priority development goals,

WHEREAS, Administrative Order (AO) No. 25 (s. 2011) established an Inter-Agency Task Force to provide oversight and integrate the Results Based Performance Management System (RBPMS) across all agencies within the Executive Branch of government;

WHEREAS, there is a need to operationalize the outputs of the Inter-Agency Task Force created under AO 25 to strengthen and more closely monitor the delivery of the identified targets to ensure that these translate into outcomes that directly and positively impact on the lives of the Filipino people;

WHEREAS, Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987 provides that the President shall have continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of the Office of the President.

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

following:

SECTION 1. Reconstituting and Renaming the Office of the Cabinet Secretariat. The Office of the Cabinet Secretariat is hereby reconstituted and renamed as the Office of the Cabinet Secretary. The Office of the Cabinet Secretary is an integral part of the Office of the President for the effective integration and implementation of the programs of the Administration.

SECTION 2. Powers and Functions. To carry out its mandate, the Office of the Cabinet Secretary shall have the following powers and functions:

- a. Facilitate the identification of a list of priority areas and outcome-based targets in the Social Contract and PDP 2011-2016, in consultation with the Cabinet Clusters, for final approval of the President;
- b. Recommend to the President an annual detailed and measurable performance and projects roadmap that will facilitate outputs of the targets against priorities, in close coordination with the concerned agencies;
- c. Ensure the timely execution and monitor the significant impact of the targets under the annual performance and projects roadmap, and re-align targets when needed;
- d. Represent the President in meetings and such other fora in order to expedite inter-agency action towards the achievement of the targets identified in the performance and projects roadmap;
- e. Assist in providing timely and organized information to the Cabinet on issues and problems submitted for decision and action; and
- f. Perform such other functions as may be necessary and incidental to the attainment of its objectives or as may be assigned by the President.

The functions of the Inter-Agency Task Force created under AO 25 are hereby transferred to the Office of the Cabinet Secretary. For this purpose, the Development Academy of the Philippines (DAP) shall serve as technical resource institution to the Office of the Cabinet Secretary.

SECTION 3. Membership in Cabinet Clusters. For the effective discharge of the functions under this Order, EO 43 is hereby amended to include the Cabinet Secretary as Member of all the Cabinet Clusters created therein.

SECTION 4. Other Memberships. The Cabinet Secretary shall likewise be a member of the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) Board Executive Committee and the following NEDA Board Committees:

- a. Investment Coordination Committee (ICC);
- b. Social Development Committee (SDC); and
- c. Infrastructure Committee (InfraCom).

SECTION 5. Organizational Setup and Staff Complement. The Office of the Cabinet Secretary shall be headed by the Cabinet Secretary, with the rank and emoluments of a Member of the Cabinet. The Cabinet Secretary shall be under the control and supervision of, and shall report directly to, the President.