

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 475, December 05, 2005]

CREATING THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENTIAL ADVISER FOR JOB CREATION, DEFINING ITS MANDATE, POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, Article 2, Section 9 of the Constitution provides that the State shall free the people from poverty through policies that provide adequate social services, promote full employment and improve the quality of life for all;

WHEREAS, mindful of the mandate, the President of the Republic of the Philippines, in her inaugural address on June 30, 2004, unveiled a 10-point legacy program to create 6-10 million jobs support 3 million entrepreneurs, and develop 2 million hectares of agribusiness land;

WHEREAS, the collateral objective of job creation is making food plentiful at reasonable prices to make our labor cost globally competitive;

WHEREAS, job creation, supporting entrepreneurs, and developing agribusiness land concerns not just the Department of Agriculture but other offices and agencies of the Government as well;

WHEREAS, in order for all concerned offices and agencies of the Government to have unity of purpose and consistency in action to achieve these objectives, there is a need to establish an office which shall coordinate, on a full time basis, the effective and timely implementation of the Government's commitments to job generation:

WHEREAS, Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987 vests upon the President of the Philippines the continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of her office;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and existing laws, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Creation. – The Office of the Presidential Adviser for Job Creation (OPAJC) is hereby created under the Office of the President;

SECTION 2. Mandate. – The Presidential Adviser for Job Creation (PAJC) shall coordinate and monitor the effective and timely implementation of the Government's programs for job creation, support for entrepreneurs, agribusiness land development, and making food plentiful at reasonable prices with other government, non-government and private sector entities