

**[ EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 195, April 14, 2003 ]**

**PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF AN INTER-AGENCY TASK  
FORCE FOR THE COORDINATION OF PHILIPPINE  
HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO IRAQ**

WHEREAS, the Philippines, as a member of the United Nations, has actively contributed to and participated in the various initiatives of the UN Security Council aimed at providing assistance to Iraq as stipulated in UNSC Resolutions 661 (1990), 985 (1995), 1284 (1999), 1472 (2003) and other relevant resolutions;

WHEREAS, the Philippines has contributed significantly to the United Nations initiatives for Iraq as evidenced by the deployment of elements of the Armed Forces for Iraq (UNGCI) for service as a humanitarian assistance protection force, as well as participation in the "Oil for Food" Program for Iraq;

WHEREAS, there is a need to coordinate the Philippine Government's efforts aimed at contributing to the immediate humanitarian needs to the Iraqi people;

NOW THEREFORE I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the creation of an Inter-Agency Task Force for the Coordination of Philippine Humanitarian Assistance to Iraq.

SECTION 1. Composition - The Task Force shall be comprised of the following officials (or their duly-designated representatives):

Secretary of Foreign Affairs	Chairman
Secretary of National Defense	Co-Chairman
Special Envoy, Middle East Preparedness Team	Executive Director
Secretary of Health	Member
Secretary of Interior and Local Government	Member
Secretary of Social Welfare and Development	Member
Chief of Staff, Armed Forces of the Philippine	Member
Director-General, Philippine National Police	Member
Executive Director, Office of Muslim Affairs	Member
The Philippine Ambassadors to Iraq and Kuwait	Members
Other Officials to be designated by the President	Members