

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 464, May 17, 1991]

**ESTABLISHING THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE NATIONAL
STATISTICAL COORDINATION BOARD AND THE AUTONOMOUS
REGIONAL GOVERNMENT IN THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN
MUSLIM MINDANAO**

WHEREAS, the reliability, credibility and comparability of data have significant bearing on policy and decision making of the National Government;

WHEREAS, The Philippine Statistical System (PSS) as defined in Executive Order No. 121, series of 1987, consists of a policy-making and coordinating body, a statistical research and training center, a general purpose statistical agency, and all departments, bureaus, offices, agencies and instrumentalities of the national and local governments and all government-owned and controlled corporations and their subsidiaries that are engaged in statistical activities either as their primary function or as part of their administrative and regulatory functions;

WHEREAS, the coverage of the PSS cuts across all regions of the country, including the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM), in order to ensure the proper determination of the over-all picture of the country;

WHEREAS, the National Statistical Coordination Board (NSCB) recognizes the distinct customs and traditions of the Muslims in matters of births, deaths and marriages;

WHEREAS, Article XVI, Section 2, paragraph 3 (c) of Republic Act No. 6734 provides, among others, that the Regional Assembly shall enact further legislation regarding the registration of births, marriages and deaths in the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao;

WHEREAS, to ensure the proper and effective implementation of the above-mentioned functions, there is a need for coordinative efforts between the National Statistical Coordination Board (NSCB) and the Autonomous Regional Government (ARG);

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

SECTION 1. The generation of statistics, such as population count and other demographic characteristics, labor, education, health, agriculture, and other general purpose data which are being used at the national level shall be the function of the National Statistics Office (NSO) and the National Statistical Coordination Board. "Generation of Statistics" shall mean (a) authority and responsibility to label as official statistics and/or identify statistics for official use; and (b) actual preparation and collection of primary statistics for planning purposes.