

**[ MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 281, March 28, 2008 ]**

**EXPRESSING CONCURRENCE IN THE DEPUTATION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AND OTHER CONCERNED AGENCIES OF THE GOVERNMENT, AS EMBODIED IN COMELEC RESOLUTION NOS. 8422 and 8423, PROMULGATED BOTH ON 29 FEBRUARY 2008, IN CONNECTION WITH THE MARCH 29, 2008 PLEBISCITE TO RATIFY THE CREATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF TABUAN-LASA IN THE PROVINCE OF BASILAN.**

Pursuant to Section 2, (4), Article IX (C) of the Constitution, **I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO**, President of the Republic of the Philippines, do hereby concur with Resolution Nos. 8422 and 8423 of the Commission on Elections (COMELEC), promulgated on 29 February 2008, deputizing the Department of Education (DepEd); Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH); Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), National Police Commission (NAPOLCOM), and the Philippine National Police (PNP), for the purpose of ensuring free, orderly, honest, peaceful and credible conduct of the March 29, 2008 plebiscite to ratify the creation of the Municipality of Tabuan-Lasa in the Province of Basilan.

The foregoing agencies are hereby directed to coordinate and cooperate with the Commission on Elections in the performance of their duties and functions.

This Memorandum Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 28th day of March, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eight.

**(Sgd.) GLORIA M. ARROYO**

By the President:

**(Sgd.) EDUARDO R. ERMITA**  
*Executive Secretary*



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