

**[DDB BOARD REGULATION NO. 1, S. 2013,
January 16, 2013]**

**AMENDING BOARD REGULATION NO. 1, SERIES OF 2002,
ENTITLED "GUIDELINES ON THE CUSTODY AND DISPOSITION
OF SEIZED DANGEROUS DRUGS, CONTROLLED PRECURSORS
AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS, AND LABORATORY EQUIPMENT"
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2, RA 9165 (Declaration of Policy), it is the policy of the state to safeguard the integrity of its territory and well-being of its citizenry from the harmful effects of dangerous drugs as well as to pursue an intensive and unrelenting campaign against the trafficking and use of dangerous drugs;

WHEREAS, the dangerous drugs trade in the country is carried out by transnational and local drug groups which are responsible for the financing, manufacturing and trafficking of dangerous drugs, controlled precursors and essential chemicals (CPECs);

WHEREAS, the implementing arm of the Board, Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA), and other drug enforcement units shall need the assistance of any and all tools that may help in addressing the drug problem and implementing the national anti-drug campaign;

WHEREAS, it is well-known and scientific fact that K9 dogs, when properly trained, may be of great help in detecting the presence of narcotics;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 21, RA 9165 (Custody and Disposition of Confiscated, Seized, and/or Surrendered Dangerous Drugs, Plant Sources of Dangerous Drugs, Controlled Precursors and Essential Chemicals, Instruments/Paraphernalia and/or Laboratory Equipment), PDEA shall take charge and custody of said items for eventual disposition when no longer needed as evidence in Court;

WHEREAS, said Section also provides that "those item/s of lawful commerce as determined by the Board, shall be donated, used or recycled for legitimate purposes;

WHEREAS, the only way to train K9 detector dogs for narcotics shall be to utilize actual dangerous drugs and CPECs during their training;

WHEREAS, while Dangerous Drugs Board Regulation No. 1, Series of 2002, which provide for the Guidelines on the Custody and Disposition of Seized Dangerous Drugs, Controlled Precursors and Essential Chemicals, and Laboratory Equipment provides that seized drugs or controlled chemicals no longer needed as evidence to be presented in court may be used for medical or scientific purposes, or in small amounts for the training of personnel responsible for carrying out the functions