[OP EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 827, August 14, 2009]

CREATING THE OFFICE OF THE SENIOR DEPUTY COMMISSIONER IN THE BUREAU OF INTERNAL REVENUE

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) is tasked to collect about seventy five percent (75%) of total government revenue collections every year;

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Internal Revenue has an enormous responsibility of leading the BIR in the tax collection and administration efforts;

WHEREAS, in order for the BIR to discharge its functions more effectively, there is a need to create the Office of the Senior Deputy Commissioner that will assist the Commissioner of Internal Revenue in administering all the subordinate BIR offices and personnel;

WHEREAS, under the 1987 Revised Administrative Code of the Philippines, the President has the continuing power to reorganize the administrative structure of the National Government;

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

SECTION 1. Creation of the Office of the Senior Deputy Commissioner. There is hereby created the Office of the Senior Deputy Commissioner under the Office of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue. The Senior Deputy Commissioner position shall have a rank of Director IV.

SECTION 2. Functions. The Senior Deputy Commissioner shall have the following functions and responsibilities:

1. Provide support to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue in administering the operations of the BIR and in directing all the officers and employees of the BIR;

2. Provide policies and pursue programs in the strategic and tactical aspects of tax administration, to include among others, enhancing taxpayer service and information dissemination; implementing a media campaign to project the positive projects and activities of the BIR; conduct regular assessments of public perception of BIR activities; formation of a Tax Academy or Training Institute institutionalizing an effective tax practitioner accreditation program; improving the performance of the Large Taxpayers Service; conduct enforcement activities directed on major transactions that have significant tax potential; coordination with government offices in the implementation of investment incentives policies