

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 652-B, January 18, 2008]

AMENDING FURTHER EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 652 (SERIES OF 2007) BY INCLUDING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COORDINATING COUNCIL OF PRIVATE EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS (COCOPEA) AS REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE PRIVATE SECTOR TO THE PRESIDENTIAL TASK FORCE TO ASSESS, PLAN AND MONITOR THE ENTIRE EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM

WHEREAS , Executive Order No. 652 (Series of 2007) created the Presidential Task Force to Assess, Plan and Monitor the Entire Educational System;

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Executive Order No. 652 enumerates the composition and organization of the Presidential Task Force to Assess, Plan and Monitor the Entire Educational System, namely:

1. Secretary, Department of Education
2. Chairman, Commission on Higher Education
3. Director General, Technical Education and Skills Development Authority
4. Presidential Assistant for Education
5. Five (5) representatives from the private sector to be appointed/designated by the President

WHEREAS , Executive Order No. 652-A, dated September 25, 2007, amended Section 2 of the Executive Order No. 652 by including the Chairman of the Professional Regulation Commission as a member of the Presidential Task Force to Assess, Plan and Monitor the Entire Educational System;

WHEREAS , the need to synchronize and harmonize the government's educational policies, programs and initiatives becomes all the more urgent given our country's standing in world competitiveness;

WHEREAS , such a need makes it imperative to include in the Presidential Task Force to Assess, Plan and Monitor the Entire Educational System, the Chairman of the Coordinating Council of Private Educational Associations (COCOPEA) as a representative from the private sector, increasing to six (6) the representatives from the private sector to be appointed/designated by the President;

WHEREAS , Section 17, Article VII of the Constitution provides that the President shall have control of all executive departments, bureaus and offices and shall ensure that all laws be faithfully executed;

WHEREAS , paragraph 2, Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of Executive Order No. 292 grants the President the continuing authority to reorganize the