

[OP EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 13, November 15, 2010]

**ABOLISHING THE PRESIDENTIAL ANTI-GRAFT COMMISSION
AND TRANSFERRING ITS INVESTIGATIVE, ADJUDICATORY AND
RECOMMENDATORY FUNCTIONS TO THE OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY FOR LEGAL AFFAIRS, OFFICE OF THE
PRESIDENT**

WHEREAS, this administration has a continuing mandate and advocacy to fight and eradicate corruption in the different departments, bureaus, offices and other government and instrumentalities;

WHEREAS, the government adopted a policy of streamlining the government bureaucracy to promote economy and efficiency in government;

WHEREAS, Section VII of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that the President shall have control of all the executive departments, bureaus, and offices;

WHEREAS, Section 31 Chapter 10, Title, Book III, Book III of Executive Order 292 (Administrative Code of 1987) provides for the continuing authority to the President to reorganize the administrative structure of the Office of the President;

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree (PD) No. 1416 (Granting Continuing Authority to the President of the Philippines to Reorganize the National Government), as amended by PD 1772, provides that the President of the Philippines shall have continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of the National Government and may, at his discretion, create, abolish, group, consolidate, merge or integrate entities, agencies, instrumentalities and units of the National Government, as well as expand, amend, change or otherwise modify their powers, functions and authorities;

WHEREAS, Section 78 of the General Provisions of Republic Act No. 9970 (General Appropriations Act of 2010) authorizes the President of the Philippines to direct changes in the organizational units or key positions in any department or agency;

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

SECTION 1. Declaration of Policy. It is the policy of the government to fight and eradicate graft and corruption in the different departments, bureaus, offices and other government agencies and instrumentalities.

The government adopted a policy of streamlining the government bureaucracy to promote economy and efficiency in the government.

SECTION 2. Abolition of Presidential Anti-Graft Commission (PAGC). To enable the Office of the President (OP) to directly investigate graft and corrupt cases