

**[ EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 603, February 13, 2007 ]**

**TRANSFERRING THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS OFFICE (TELOF)  
AND ALL OTHER OPERATING UNITS DIRECTLY SUPPORTING  
COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION ON INFORMATION  
AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY (CICT) TO THE DIRECT  
SUPERVISION AND CONTROL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS (DOTC)**

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 292, series of 1987, dated July 25, 1987, otherwise known as the "Administrative Code of 1987" mandates the Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC) to be the primary policy, planning, programming, coordinating, implementing, regulating and administrative entity of the Executive Branch of the government in the promotion, development and regulation of dependable and coordinated networks of communications systems as well as in the provision of fast, efficient and reliable communications services;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 269, series of 2004, which created the Commission on Information and Communications Technology (CICT) has placed the Telecommunications Office (TELOF) and all other operating units then existing in DOTC which directly support Communications, including the Telecommunications Policy and Planning Office, under the direct supervision and control of the CICT;

WHEREAS, reverting to DOTC direct control and supervision of TELOF and all other operating units currently existing in CICT, including the telecommunications, Policy and Planning Office, which directly support Communications, is necessitated by the present demands of national development and concomitant development projects as it will streamline bureaucracy operations and effectively promote fast, efficient and reliable networks of communication system and services;

WHEREAS, under Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of EO No. 292, the President of the Republic of the Philippines has continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of the Executive Branch and to transfer any agency under the Office of the President to another department or agency.

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

*SECTION 1.* The Telecommunications Office and all other operating units currently existing in CICT which directly support communications, including the Telecommunications Policy and Planning Office, are hereby placed under the direct supervision and control of the Department of Transportation and Communications.

*SECTION 2.* These Offices shall continue to carry out their organizational mandates and objectives.