

**[ACPC ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 27, S. 2007,
September 01, 2007]**

**DESIGNATING THE AGRICULTURAL CREDIT POLICY COUNCIL
(ACPC) AS THE IMPLEMENTING AGENCY OF THE UPLAND
SOUTHERN MINDANAO-CREDIT AND INSTITUTION BUILDING
PROGRAM (USM-CIBP)^[1]**

WHEREAS, a Closure Act for the Upland Development Programme (UDP) was signed on July 11, 2007 by the Department of Agriculture and the European Commission to the Philippines (EC);

WHEREAS, Article 6 of the Closure Act states that the Department of Agriculture has the responsibility to ensure that credit and institution building (IB) activities under the UDP's RFS component shall be continued after the completion of the UDP, utilizing the loan repayments and recoveries from cooperatives and institutional borrowers from UDP;

WHEREAS, there is a need to immediately create a successor Program to the UDP RFS component and this shall now be called as the "Upland Southern Mindanao-Credit and Institution Building Program (USM-CIBP)";

WHEREAS, the ACPC, in line with its mandate under the AMCFP of AFMA, Executive Order No. 113 and the Magna Carta for Small Farmers has the legal mandate to implement institutional capacity building programs for the benefit of small farmers organizations and to oversee, manage and monitor agri-credit funds of the DA;

WHEREAS, DA recognizes the need to appoint an agency to continue the implementation of IB and credit services of the UDP under the USM-CIBP;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the above, the following are hereby ordered:

1. ACPC shall be the implementing agency of the successor program of UDP Rural Finance Services component called "Upland Southern Mindanao - Credit and Institution Building Program (USM-CIBP) reporting directly to the National Executive Committee (NEC) which shall be composed of the following:

Chair:	DA-Undersecretary for Operations
Members:	EC representative
	Land Bank representative
	PCFC representative
	ACPC

The National Executive Committees shall have the following functions: