

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 687, December 28, 2007]

PLACING TASK FORCE SUBIC UNDER THE PRESIDENTIAL ANTI-SMUGGLING GROUP

WHEREAS, Task Force Subic was created by Executive Order 384 to prevent and suppress smuggling and other related practices against customs laws at the Subic Bay Freeport and all areas under jurisdiction of the Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority (SBMA);

WHEREAS, large-scale smuggling and fraud upon customs and other related practices undermine the economy and national security;

WHEREAS, there is a need to closely supervise the activities of Task Force Subic so as to effectively curtail smuggling and other related practices against customs laws at the Subic Bay Freeport and all areas under jurisdiction of the SBMA;

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 MI of Executive Order No. 292 grants the President the continuing authority to recognize the administrative structure of the Office of the President and the power to transfer any function under the Office of the President to any other Department;

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. Placement under the Presidential Anti-Smuggling Group. Task Force Subic is hereby placed under the supervision of the Presidential Anti-Smuggling Group.

SECTION 2. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Adopted: 28 Dec. 2007

(SGD.) GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO

By the President:

(SGD.) EDUARDO R. ERMITA
Executive Secretary
