

[DTC DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 96-912, January 15, 1996]

OPERATIONALIZATION OF DOTC REGIONAL OFFICE IN REGION XIII (CARAGA ADMINISTRATIVE REGION)

Pursuant to Republic Act No. 7901 entitled " AN ACT CREATING REGION XIII TO BE KNOWN AS THE CARAGA ADMINISTRATIVE REGION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES" and integrated regional office organized on a department-wide basis in accordance with Section 22 and 26 , Chapter 5 of Executive Order No. 292, is hereby operationalized in the CARAGA ADMINISTRATIVE REGION, in which the functional areas of land transportation (LTO), telecommunications (TELOF) and franchising and regulation (LTFRB) shall be represented, subject to the following guidelines:

1. The aforesaid integrated regional office, hereinafter referred to as the DOTC Regional Office, shall be located in Butuan City.
2. Provincial and district offices of the DOTC Regional Office may be established only by law whenever necessary (Sec. 21, Chapter 5, Book IV, E.O. No. 292). District offices may be established only in cases of clear necessity (Sec. 26, Ibid).
3. The respective district offices under the regional offices of LTO, LTFRB and the TELOF, if any, in Regions X and XI that are located in Agusan del Sur, Agusan del Norte, Surigao del Sur and Surigao del Norte, and the cities of Butuan and Surigao are hereby transferred to, and shall henceforth function as district offices of the DOTC Regional Office in the Caraga Administrative Region.
4. Accordingly, the corresponding personnel, records, applicable funds and appropriations, equipment, property and other administrative matters pertaining to said district offices or the Caraga Administrative Region tat are kept, held , possessed or otherwise under the control or administration of the regional offices in Regions X and XI are likewise hereby transferred to and placed under the DOTC Regional Office in Region XIII.
5. Subject to the approval of the President, the balances of appropriations which are available and necessary to finance or discharge the functions or activity transferred to Regional XIII (Caraga Administrative Region) from Region X and XI are hereby transferred to, and are made available for the use of, Region XIII. For this purpose, the transferred balances are hereby credited to existing or new appropriation account. (Section 42, Book VI, EO No. 292)
6. Salary adjustments resulting from the final selection of personnel to fill the positions in the staffing pattern of Region XIII are hereby authorized subject to the approval of the Secretary of Budget and Management (Ibid).
7. The DOTC Regional Office shall: