

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 603

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.

SECTION 3. All executive issuances, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon its publication in a national newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 13th day of February in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

Gloria M. Arroyo



By the President:

Eduardo R. Ermita

EDUARDO R. ERMITA
Executive Secretary

