



Republic of the Philippines
COMMISSION ON AUDIT
Commonwealth Avenue, Quezon City

RESOLUTION

No. : 2014-002
Date : JAN 22 2014

**SUBJECT: CREATION OF THE PROJECT MANAGEMENT OFFICE
UNDER THE OFFICE OF THE CHAIRPERSON**

WHEREAS, Section 2(2) of Article IX-D of the 1987 Constitution vests in the Commission on Audit (COA) the authority to examine, audit and settle all government accounts and property, define the scope of its audit and examination as well as to establish the techniques and methods required therefor;

WHEREAS, The General Appropriations Act of 2013 authorizes agencies with fiscal autonomy under the Constitution, including the COA, to undertake continuing reorganization within the limits of their appropriation;

WHEREAS, the Commission is one of the lead agencies of the Philippines-Australia Public Financial Management Program, a long term partnership between the Governments of Australia and the Philippines to improve the efficiency, accountability and transparency of public fund use in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, on November 26, 2012, COA commenced a participatory audit program, a priority reform project aimed to establish a framework involving civil society groups in the public audit process in order to contribute to the government's policy on transparency, accountability and participatory governance;

WHEREAS, there are projects and programs being undertaken and planned to be undertaken, aimed at strengthening and enhancing the independence, integrity, competence, organizational efficiency and effectiveness of the Commission, under the assistance of international development partners such as the World Bank, USAID and Australian Aid;

WHEREAS, there is a need to create an Office that would evaluate, integrate, monitor and act as secretariat for the priority projects of COA and to coordinate the resources of the Commission and liaise with the development partners in the implementation of the projects;

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WHEREAS, the establishment of such Office will create new positions and the personnel complement will be sourced from the revised plantilla positions of this Commission;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to establish the **PROJECT MANAGEMENT OFFICE (PMO)**, within the limits of its appropriations.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the manpower complement of the PMO shall be headed by a Director IV (SG 28);

RESOLVED, FINALLY, that the functions and responsibilities of the PMO and the general guidelines for its operation shall be as follows:

Section 1. **Management of the Office.**- The Office shall be directly under the Office of the Chairperson and shall be headed by a Director IV and assisted by State Auditor (SA)V, SG-26; Chief Administrative Officer, SG-24; Supervising Administrative Officer, SG-22; Administrative Officer V, SG 18 and Administrative Aide IV, SG-4.

Section 2. **Functions.** The Office shall be responsible for projects involving the Commission that are financial or otherwise assisted by development partners and other donors, including but not limited to, the World Bank, USAID and Australian Aid and shall have the following functions:

- a. To facilitate and strengthen coordination within the Commission and the external stakeholders on all matters related to reform projects;
- b. To provide timely, relevant and accurate information to COA and its government partner agencies to facilitate decision-making;
- c. To coordinate resources within COA and stakeholders to support project planning and implementation
- d. To monitor and update plans and status reports of project implementation and progress; and
- e. To perform such other functions the Chairperson may assign.

This Resolution shall take effect fifteen (15) days from publication.

Quezon City, Philippines.


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Chairperson


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Commissioner