

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 266, July 25, 1987]

PROVIDING FOR TWO SERVICE UNITS IN THE OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR LAND TRANSPORTATION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS, DEFINING THE POWERS AND FUNCTIONS THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, there is a need to upgrade the Law Enforcement Division in the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Land Transportation into a service unit in order to make more effective the enforcement of traffic laws, rules and regulations;

WHEREAS, for a more meaningful law enforcement, it is likewise imperative to create within the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Land Transportation a service unit that shall specifically discharge the quasi-judicial powers and functions of the Department of Transportation and Communications insofar as violations of traffic laws, rules and regulations are concerned;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CORAZON C. AQUINO, President of the Philippines, for hereby order:

SECTION 1. There shall be two service units in the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Land Transportation in the Department of Transportation and Communications, namely:

1. Law Enforcement Service, and
2. Traffic Adjudication Service.

Each of the aforesaid service unit shall be headed by a Service Chief to be appointed by the President upon recommendation of the Secretary of Transportation and Communications.

SECTION 2. The existing Law Enforcement Division in the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Land Transportation is hereby upgraded into a service unit which shall henceforth be known as the Law Enforcement Division in the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Land Transportation is hereby upgraded into a service unit which shall henceforth be known as the Law Enforcement Service and shall have the same functions and powers as those that the existing division now exercises.

SEC. 3. The Traffic Adjudication Service shall have the following powers and functions:

- a) To hear and decide cases involving violations of laws, rules and regulations governing land transportation and to impose fines and/or penalties therefore; provided that violations resulting in damage to property and/or physical injuries or