

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 813, June 17, 2009]

**REVIVING THE EXTENSION OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT IN
MINDANAO**

WHEREAS, under the Administrative Code of 1987, the President of the Philippines has the continuing authority to reorganize the Office of the President;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 7, (s. 1992), as amended provides for the creation of an extension office of the President in Mindanao;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 357 (s.2004) provides for the merger of the Office of the Presidential Assistant for Mindanao and its functions with the Mindanao Economic Development Council (MEDCO);

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 757 (s.2008) places the MEDCO under the oversight of the National Economic and Development Authority;

NOW THEREFORE I, GLORIA M. ARROYO, President of the Philippines, by the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. Revival of Office. - The extension office of the President in Mindanao is hereby revived, to be headed by a Presidential Adviser for Mindanao.

Section 2. Functions of the Presidential Adviser for Mindanao. - The Presidential Adviser for Mindanao shall have the following functions, powers and responsibilities:

- (a) Oversee the Mindanao Economic Development Council and the Southern Philippines Development Authority;
- (b) Oversee the Philippine activities of the Brunei Darrusalam-Indonesia-Malaysia-Philippines East ASEAN Growth Area; and
- (c) Provide support to the President on matters related to Mindanao.

Section 3. Budget. - The extension office of the President in Mindanao shall be provided with an initial budget of Ten Million Pesos (P10,000,000). Appropriations for succeeding years shall be incorporated in the budget proposal of the Office of the President.

Section 4. Repealing Clause. - All orders, issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, particularly Executive Order No. 757, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 5. Effectivity. - This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.