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OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN – COMMISSION ON AUDIT JOINT MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR ON JOINT INVESTIGATIONS

Pursuant to the Memorandum of Agreement ("MOA") between the Office of the Ombudsman ("OMB") and the Commission on Audit ("COA") signed on 16 July 2010, the following guidelines are hereby promulgated to govern the conduct of joint investigation of audit-related complaints or reports.

I. Coverage

The Joint Investigation Team ("JIT") shall investigate cases involving at least Fifty Million (P50,000,000.00) or its equivalent, AND involving public officers with salary grade of 27 and above. The JIT shall likewise investigate such other cases as may be jointly determined by the Agency Heads.

II. Composition of the Joint Investigation Team

The Joint Investigation Team shall be composed of the following:

A. From the OMB

- 1. One (1) Deputy Special Prosecutor, as Head
- 2. One (1) representative from the Preliminary Investigation, Administrative Adjudication and Monitoring Office ("PAMO")
- 3. Five (5) representatives from the Field Investigation Office ("FIO")
- 4. One (1) GIPO from the Office of the Deputy Ombudsman for Luzon Public Assistance and Corruption Prevention Office ("PACPO"), for Luzon cases
- 5. One (1) Investigator from the Office of the Deputy Ombudsman for the Military and Other Law Enforcement Offices ("MOLEO"), for MOLEO cases
- 6. One (1) AGIO from the Office of the Deputy Ombudsman for the Visayas Field Investigation Office ("FIO"), for Visayas cases
- 7. One (1) GIPO from the Office of the Deputy Ombudsman for the Mindanao Complaints Unit ("CPL"), for Mindanao cases
- 8. One (1) Prosecutor from the Office of the Special Prosecutor ("OSP")
- 9. One (1) Prosecutor from the Central or Sectoral Offices, as the case may be