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TASK FORCE SANGLAHI-BRAVO

1. REFERENCES:

- a. Anti-Terrorism Act of 2020 (Republic Act No. 11479);
- b. Executive Order No. 70: "Institutionalizing the Whole-of-Nation Approach in Attaining Inclusive and Sustainable Peace, Creating a National Task Force to End Local Communist Armed Conflict, and Directing the Adoption of a National Peace Framework";
- c. Human Security Act of 2007 (Republic Act No. 9372);
- d. Anti-Terrorism Council (ATC) Resolution No. 04 Series of 2020 "Adopting Certain Anti-Terrorism Council Resolutions as Transitory Resolutions";
- e. ATC Resolution No. 37 Series of 2018 "Affirming the AFP as the Agency of Primary Responsibility in the Implementation of Policy and Operational Directives from the Council";
- f. PNP Memorandum Circular (MC) No. 2021-165 "Strengthening of the PNP Committee on Legal Action (PNP COLA)" dated October 26, 2021;
- g. Implementing Plan (IMPLAN) of the Subcommittee on Terrorism and CBRNE (SCTC) to PNP MC No. 2020-081: PNP Critical Incident Management Operational Procedures (CIMOP, Revised 2020) dated July 27, 2021;
- h. Joint Letter Directive No. 03-2021 "Reorganization of The Joint Peace and Security Coordinating Center (JPSCC)" dated July 23, 2021;
- i. Letter of Instructions (LOI) No. 55-2011: "SANGLAHI-ALPHA" dated June 22, 2012;
- j. International Humanitarian Law; and
- k. PNP Anti-Terrorism Defense Block System.

2. RATIONALE:

This MC sets forth the concept and operational guidelines for the containment and neutralization of domestic and foreign terrorist groups operating in the country and restructuring of the Counter Terrorist Task Force (CTTF) as an intelligence and investigative arm of the Philippine National Police (PNP) and as support to the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) in counter-terrorism.

3. SITUATION:

Terrorism, as faced by many countries, has already cost many lives and properties. Recent developments on the global war against terror proved the

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increasing need to further enhance every nation's capability against terrorists who are armed with ideological and radical motivations backed by modern operational tools in pursuit of their terroristic activities.

The Philippines is no exemption as it has been battling against terrorism since the 1930s. Various groups in the Philippines with vested goals and ideologies have engaged in terrorism-related activities. The country is continually confronted by threats emanating from terrorist groups such as the *Daesh-Inspired/Daulah Islamiyah (DI) Abu Sayyaf Group (ASG)*, *Bangsamoro Islamic Freedom Fighters (BIFF)*, the *Maute Group*, and other *Islamic State-influenced extremist entities*, collectively referred to as the *Local Terrorist Groups (LTGs)*. Moreover, the *Communist Party of the Philippines-New People's Army-National Democratic Front (CPP-NPA-NDF)*, collectively referred to as the *Communist Terrorist Groups (CTGs)*, has been an olden insurgency in Asia that has long decimated government forces from its sporadic guerilla warfare tactics to date. These terrorist groups have carried several major attacks on varying targets to people, places, events, and infrastructure to include places of worship. Threats from these groups have detrimental impact to the country's socioeconomic and political landscape.

As part of the government's effort against terrorism, the Anti-Terrorism Council (ATC) issued Resolution No. 34-2011 on June 9, 2011, declaring the PNP as the agency primary responsible for anti-terrorism and counter-terrorism efforts that led to the creation of the PNP Task Force Sanglahi-Alpha under the operational control of the PNP Intelligence Group.

Subsequently, on September 16, 2018, the ATC issued Resolution No. 37 series of 2018 amending ATC Resolution No. 34-2011 affirming the AFP as the agency of primary responsibility in the implementation of policy, operational and tactical directives of the council, considering its role as the protector of the people. The PNP, National Bureau of Investigation (NBI), Anti-Money Laundering Council (AMLC), and other law enforcement agencies were mandated to provide the AFP with the necessary support, as may be warranted, to carry out the anti-terrorism efforts of the government.

With the approval of the Anti-Terrorism Act (ATA) of 2020 as a law on July 3, 2020, the anti-terrorism and counter-terrorism campaign of the government was strengthened and revitalized, enabling and capacitating the operatives and law enforcers to deal and meet with the demands of time. The said law delegated the ATC as the agency responsible for this campaign, with the support of the AFP and PNP among other law enforcement agencies. In view of this, the ATC issued a transitory resolution (ATC Resolution Number 04 of 2020) which adopted, among other resolutions, Resolution No. 37, retaining the role of the AFP as the lead unit in the government's anti-terrorism and counter-terrorism campaign, with the PNP having a support role.

In view of all these developments, it is indispensable to harmonize and have a coordinative mechanism between operations, intelligence, investigation, and strategic communication for an efficient and effective counter-terrorism task force, thus the PNP in support to the AFP shall continue with its counter-terrorism campaigns.

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4. PURPOSE:

The PNP, in support to the AFP and in coordination with other support agencies defined by the Anti-Terrorism Act of 2020, shall implement a responsive and effective counter-terrorism strategy to prevent, contain, and neutralize the different terrorist groups, domestic and foreign, operating in the country through operationalization of intelligence fusion centers, initiating legal offensives, countering terrorism financing, implementation of the PNP anti-terrorism defense block system, and carrying out counter-radicalization and deradicalization activities.

5. DEFINITION OF TERMS:


- a. Anti-terrorism – combating terrorism by acting against or opposing criminal act committed by an individual or an organized group that causes damage to public and private properties, targeting an individual or a group of individuals or group of official or unofficial institutions and
- b. Counter-Terrorism – political or military activities designed to prevent or thwart terrorism. It incorporates the practice, military tactics, techniques, and strategy that the government, military, law enforcement, business, and intelligence agencies use to combat or prevent terrorism.
- c. Deradicalization – a process of relative change, one in which a radical group reverses its ideology and de-legitimizes the use of violent methods to achieve political goals, while also moving toward an acceptance of gradual social, political and economic changes within a pluralist context.
- d. Global PCR – the ongoing and changing international relationship between the PNP and Overseas Filipino Workers that aims to create a platform of support and cooperation between the government and various organizations of Filipino communities abroad.
- e. Terrorism Financing – is the financing of terrorist acts, and of terrorists and terrorist organizations.

6. GUIDELINES:

- a. Strategic Concept:

The PNP, in response to the ATA, shall support the AFP in the implementation of the government's unified approach to combat terrorism. This is through the adherence to the Anti-Terrorism Multi-Sectoral Strategy (AMSS) and the President's desire to address terrorism through a "Whole of the Nation Approach," wherein the law enforcement agencies together with the other government agencies and major stakeholders, are the main partners in combating terrorism, including terrorism financing resources, and facilitation of an efficient and effective prosecution of arrested suspects.

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This strategy involves institutional initiatives through:

1) Restructuring of the PNP Counter-Terrorism Task Force (CTTF)
(Annex A: Organizational Structure)

Intelligence collection and production efforts against terrorist groups are deemed futile without legal actions. Criminal investigation is pursued with an end-goal of filing airtight criminal complaints against the leaders and other personalities directly or indirectly involved in the act of terrorism as defined by law. It is in this context that intelligence supports investigation.

Notably, criminal investigation is one of the core functions of the PNP that makes it distinct from the AFP. Further, the PNP's current thrust relative to Counter-Terrorism is on the legal offensive.

In view of all these, an investigative unit headed by a senior ranked (two-star) officer shall take the role in leading the Task Force, supported by the equally important role of an intelligence unit in this effort.

- a) The existing CTTF will be restructured and renamed as Task Force (TF) Sanglahi-Bravo.
- b) The Task Force shall be headed by the Director, Criminal Investigation and Detection Group (CIDG) as the TF Commander, with the Chief, Litigation Division (C, LD), Legal Service (LS) as Legal Adviser; supported by the Director, Intelligence Group (IG) as Deputy TF Commander; and Deputy Director for Administration (DDA), CIDG as TF Executive Officer, with a support staff composed of the Operations Management Division (OMD), CIDG as Administrative Staff and its concurrent chief as the Head Secretariat; and the Operation and Incident Monitoring Division (OIMD), PNP Command Center (PCC) as National Coordinator, with the following corresponding functions and tasks:
 - (1) The TF Commander (D, CIDG) shall exercise over-all authority over the Task Groups, supervise the over-all operation of the Task Force, and submit regular report to CPNP, copy furnish the Counter-Terrorism Task Force Oversight Committee (CTTFOC) of the accomplishment and other activity of the Task Force.
 - (2) The TF Legal Adviser (C, LD, LS) shall assist the Task Force on legal matters to ensure the attainment of its mission
 - (3) The Deputy TF Commander (D, IG) shall assist the TF Commander in the overall operation and attainment of the mission and objectives of the Task Force, and provide personnel contingents and other resources to support the Task Force.

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- (4) The Ex-O TF Commander (DDA, CIDG) shall monitor the tasks directed by the TF Commander and ensure its accomplishments, supervise and ensure that the Task Force is in full operation, and provide updates to the TF Commander.
 - (5) The National Coordinator (OIMD, PCC, DO) shall integrate the efforts of the task units of the Task Force by ensuring open communication lines with higher authorities and other response units.
 - (6) The TF Administrative Staff (OMD, CIDG) shall facilitate the financial, logistical, and general support requirements of the Task Force in coordination with D-Staff.
 - (7) The TF Head Secretariat (C, OMD, CIDG) shall ensure the documentation of administrative and operational activities of the Task Force, assist in ensuring the management of the Task Force in full operation, and prepare the report on the accomplishment of the Task Force.
- c) The Task Force shall have four Task Groups (TG), namely:
- (1) TG Operations (TG Opns) – headed by Deputy Director for Operations, Special Action Force (SAF), with the following units/offices as members: OMD's of SAF, CSG, CIDG, IG, AVSEGROUP, DEG, AKG, PCADG, MG, EOD/K9, HPG, and PSPG; with a TG Legal Officer (concurrent legal officer of SAF) and a TG Secretariat.

TG Opns shall exercise command, control, and direction of the TF's operational activities; coordinate and supervise the deployment and employment of TF's personnel; and ensure operational readiness of dedicated counter-terrorism teams.

- (2) TG Intelligence (TG Intel) – headed by Deputy Director for Operations, IG, with the following units/offices as members: FESMD, CSG; ID, CIDG; FIID, SAF; ICTD, AVSEGROUP; ID, IG; CTD, IG; FEO, CSG; SOSIA, CSG; IRAD, AKG; IID, MG; MVCDID, HPG; CPIU, ACG; IFLD, DEG; IDD, IMEG; MAPIO and PBDC, DI; with a TG Legal Officer (concurrent legal officer of IG) and a TG Secretariat.

TG Intel shall sustain the conduct of intel fusion activities in collaboration with other members of the intelligence community, support the Task Force in the identification, conduct of case build-up/surveillance on suspected terrorists and their supporters, contacts, and support elements; assist the Task Force in assessing the threat posed by, and the intent and capability of threat groups; and

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render periodic report on monitored terrorist personalities/groups and their plans, movements and activities to the TF Commander.

- (3) TG Investigation (TG Inves) – headed by Deputy Director for Operations, CIDG, with the following units/offices as members: WCPC, DIDM; InD, CIDG; InD, HPG; IID, MG; LID, DEG; FIID, SAF; InD, AVSEGROUP; FG; ICMD, AKG; and InD, ACG; with a TG Legal Officer (concurrent legal officer of CIDG) and a TG Secretariat.

TG Inves shall assist the Task Force in the conduct of investigation, initiate legal offensives and case build-ups against members of terrorist groups for the subsequent filing of complaints in court and issuance of warrants of arrest; conduct financial investigation on the assets and sources of funds of identified/suspected terrorists in coordination with AMLC; conduct regular coordination with the DOJ for the prosecution of suspected terrorist personalities and monitoring developments of the case; and provide technical investigative assistance to the Task Force.

- (4) TG Strategic Communication (TG StratCom) – headed by Deputy Director for Operations, PCADG with the following units/offices as members: CADD, PCADG; SPC, DPCR; IORC, DPCR; PIO, CIDG; PCRD, SAF; and PCRD, HPG; with a TG Secretariat.


TG StratCom shall provide personnel contingents and other resources to support the Task Force; initiate the conduct of community relation and Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism (PCVE)-related activities of the Task Force; develop multi-stakeholders support to encourage the terrorist groups and members to give up the armed struggle and return to mainstream society; prepare the area prior the implementation of said operation through information campaigns; and heighten public awareness on the evils and disastrous effects of terrorism.

The TG Secretariats shall ensure the documentation of all the operations/activities of their respective Task Groups; assist in ensuring the management of its full operation; and render periodic reports to the TF Commander.

The designated Legal Officer of each Task Group shall provide legal advice to its undertakings.

- d) An oversight committee shall be organized with the Deputy Chief PNP for Operations (TDCO) as Chairman; TDI as Vice Chairman; and TDO; TDIDM; TDPCR; and Dir, LS as members; and IOD, DI

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as Secretariat. This oversight committee shall convene quarterly to ensure that the mission of the Task Force is attained, and recommend to CPNP the capabilities of the Task Force.

- e) A sub-oversight committee, with the APCs as the chairmen, shall also be organized to supervise the PROs in its operationalization of a Regional Task Force Sanglahi-Bravo replicating the operational concept of the Task Force into a regional context, and shall conduct monthly meetings to assess the implementation of counter-terrorism strategies within their respective areas of operations.
- f) The Task Force shall conduct monthly meetings to discuss updates and operational concerns to evaluate its performance, responsiveness to local and international threats, and impact on the overall peace and order situation in the country.

2) Inter-Government Agency Collaboration and Cooperation

The Joint Peace and Security Coordinating Center (JPSCC) and National Law Enforcement Coordinating Council (NALECC) shall be utilized as venues for coordination and collaboration in the pursuit of this endeavor.

Likewise, regular liaising with the Department of Justice (DOJ) will be conducted for the efficient and effective prosecution of cases involving terrorism. Same measures shall be employed as well with other government agencies/stakeholders to ensure good coordination and cooperation.

Coordination and collaboration with TFs/Joint Task Forces (JTFs) under the JPSCC, PNP and AFP shall be enhanced to ensure harmony in the conduct of counter-terrorism operations especially in critical or affected areas.

3) Multi-Sectoral Collaboration

The active involvement of the community such as the Global Coalition of Lingkod Bayan Advocacy Support Groups, the Local Government Units (LGUs), and other stakeholders and Force Multipliers is vital in counter-terrorism operation. Partnerships with these entities encourage proactive participation of the community. Dialogues and other forms of communication between the TF and the community may open avenues of needed information that can be used in neutralizing terrorist personalities, organizations, and funding sources that have the potentials to carry out acts of terrorism.

Deradicalization shall be carried out in areas where possible radical ideas and movements may emanate. These shall not be limited to dialogues and "pulong-pulong" with religious and community leaders but

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shall include the psychological aspect wherein experts in deradicalization will be invited to conduct seminars and trainings.

International collaboration and cooperation such as the Global PCR activities shall likewise be institutionalized to improve liaising and information exchange with other foreign counterparts through the PNP Police Attachés.

b. Operational Concept:

The PNP Task Force Sanglahi-Bravo and the PROs shall adopt the 5Ps of Crisis Management as a guide in the crafting of anti-terrorist program and in formulating its operational guidelines, internal protocols, and procedures consistent with RA 11479 (ATA Law of 2020), its IRR and relevant issuances of the ATC, which will be executed in three phases – Proactive (predict, prevent, prepare); Reactive (perform); and Post Action (reporting and assessment).

1) Proactive Phase (Predict, Prevent, Prepare)

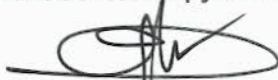
This phase is undertaken through Strategic, Operational and Tactical Situation Awareness (SA) processes. This is achieved through the establishment of intelligence linkages and capacity/capability building activities, in collaboration with other members of the intelligence community in support to the Task Force for the identification; conduct of case build-up/surveillance on suspected terrorists, their supporters and contacts; and investigation of their financial resources and support elements.

a) Predict

This involves activities to determine/assess the likelihood of a crisis/violence to occur, arising from terrorist plans, movements, and atrocities through information gathering based on the indicators of impending terrorist attacks (Annex B). These undertakings are realized through the operationalization of intelligence fusion centers, continuous collaboration and linkages with other agencies and members of the intelligence community (i.e., NSC, ATC/ATC-PMC, NICA, NIB, NALECC-SCIC, JAPIC, JABRAC), and active participation through international cooperation focusing on the area of information exchange.

This endeavor also includes the identification of terrorist personalities and group affiliation, modus operandi, safehouses/lairs, and capabilities; gathering of information relative to their sources of funds/material resources as well as identities of personalities rendering support; gathering of pieces of evidence relative to their activities for their designation and proscription by the ATC and DOJ, as well as case build-up for the issuance of warrants of arrest.

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b) Prevent

This effort involves the adoption of all types of security counter-measures designed to avert, disrupt, and neutralize personalities identified in the prediction stage, to include the strengthening or hardening of target areas. This is done through the conduct of intelligence fusion activities, legal offensives, countering terrorism financing, implementation of the PNP anti-terrorism defense block system, counter-radicalization and deradicalization activities, and capacity or capability building enhancement programs. Such activities include the conduct of lectures on PCVE, and the utilization of the Barangay Peacekeeping Action Teams (BPATs) and Barangay Information Network/Intensified Detection and Exposure to Thwart Emerging Community Threat (BIN/I-DETECT Program).

In order to pre-empt the terrorist from gaining ground and achieving their objectives, intensive law enforcement efforts/intervention/counteraction should be relentlessly implemented. As such, Simultaneous Anti-Criminality Law Enforcement Operations (SACLEO) is one of the avenues for an anti-crime drive and all-out police operations against suspected terrorists' cells thru service of search warrants and arrest warrants.

The Task Force with regular coordination with the DOJ through the DI will aid the ATC in the designation of terrorist individuals, groups of persons, organizations or associations. This will be undertaken by securing evidence for the determination that the proposed designee meets the criteria for designation, the freezing of their assets through the AMLC, and the eventual filing of appropriate complaint in court upon their proscription.

c) Prepare

This involves planning, organizing, training, equipping, exercising, evaluating, maintaining of operational readiness, and pre-positioning of response/reaction teams and crisis management committees. Simulation and tabletop exercises on measures identified in the preventive stage shall be conducted to avert and meet all foreseeable threats/emergencies.

To enhance the Proactive Phase, the TF Commander shall coordinate with ATC-Program Management Center (PMC) relative to intelligence and target hardening.

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2) Reactive Phase (Incident Management)

Perform

To ensure an efficient and effective integration of efforts within the PNP from the national, regional, and provincial levels, the anti-terrorism strategy shall employ a Lead, Direct Support, and Auxiliary Support Office concept. Lead Office means that a specific PNP office shall be designated to orchestrate a major component activity of the anti-terrorist program to be supported by several offices.

The PROs, under the supervision of the APCs, shall formulate and implement their own anti-terrorism strategy, considering the peculiarities in their respective areas of jurisdiction. In the event of suspected terrorist attacks, the PROs shall ensure the management and containment of the incident and shall coordinate with the National Coordinator of the Task Force for any development on the case.

In the event of an actual terrorism-related incident, the role of the Task Force will be transitioned unto the protocols/functions/taskings indicated in the IMPLAN of the Subcommittee on Terrorism and CBRNE (SCTC) to PNP Memorandum Circular No. 2020-081: PNP Critical Incident Management Operational Procedures (CIMOP, Revised 2020).

3) Post Action

Reporting and Assessment

The Task Force shall be responsible in the documentation and submission of its special and accomplishment reports to the CPNP, and a furnished copy to ATC-PMC through DI.

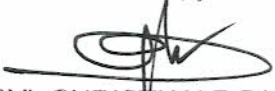
On the documentation of terrorism-related incidents, the Task Force shall function as member of the SCTC by providing related reports to be collected by the DI being its chair, to serve as references to its Special Report/Post Terrorist Attack Assessment to the CPNP with a furnished copy to ATC-PMC.

c. Tasks:

All units of the PNP, in support to the general functions and taskings defined in the strategic concept, are tasked respectively under this MC and shall perform among others, the tasks necessary within their mandates for the successful accomplishment of the mission specified herein.

TDCO serves as the overall supervisor in the implementation of this MC.

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1) **NHQ PNP**

a) **DO**

- (1) TDO serves as member of the oversight committee;
- (2) Designate OIMD, PCC, DO as National Coordinator of the Task Force;
- (3) OPR in the implementation of this MC;
- (4) Activate the Task Force;
- (5) Ensure the implementation of the Anti-Terrorism Defense Block System;
- (6) Supervise and monitor the progress and activities of tasked units in the implementation of this plan;
- (7) Ensure that the Task Force and other relevant matters shall be included in national JPSCC monthly meetings for operational and policy directions;
- (8) Coordinate with the Task Force through DI to disseminate intelligence measures for an effective and efficient pre-positioning of response/reaction team and deployment of resources;
- (9) Manage the conduct of field training exercises and other related rehearsals for the Task Force; and
- (10) Perform other tasks as ordered.

b) **DI**

- (1) TDI serves as Vice Chairman of the oversight committee;
- (2) Designate C, IOD, DI as Head Secretariat of the oversight committee;
- (3) Designate PBDC and MAPIO as member of TG Intelligence;
- (4) Oversee the Task Force and PROs in the operationalization of intelligence fusion centers and conduct of continuous collaboration and linkages with other agencies and members of intelligence community;
- (5) Provide DO, the Task Force, and PROs the potential targets of terrorists and adopt countermeasures to avert, neutralize, and strengthen or harden target areas and personalities;
- (6) Regularly coordinate with the Task Force, DOJ, and ATC on the determination/designation of terrorist individuals, groups, organizations or associations;
- (7) Provide timely and periodic intelligence and intelligence support to the Task Force and other tasked units;
- (8) Disseminate the terrorism threat level to all PNP offices and units, in coordination with the TF Commander, and to prepare maps (Digital Maps) on the plans, activities, and movements of the terrorist groups/personalities;
- (9) Conduct validation, and consolidate reports rendered by the Task Force and PROs;
- (10) Consolidate updated and validated watchlists on major threat groups in coordination with local and foreign counterparts through JAPICC-E Intelligence Exchange and/or other available platform of intelligence exchange, and furnish the same to tasked units;

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- (11) Determine threat condition level in coordination with NICA as basis for implementation of corresponding measures of the Task Force and PROs in coordination with other D-Staff; and
- (12) Perform other tasks as ordered.

c) DPCR

- (1) TDPCR serves as member of the oversight committee;
- (2) Designate SPC and IORC, DPCR as members of TG Strategic Communication;
- (3) Prepare and submit an information operation plan relative to this MC;
- (4) Provide a "deradicalization" program for the Task Force targeting individuals and organizations that have the potential to carry out attacks;
- (5) Task the SPC to conduct Counter-Radicalization and Deradicalization in support to the Task Force;
- (6) Mobilize the Global Coalition of Lingkod Bayan Advocacy Support Group and Force Multipliers, and other NGOs in the implementation of this MC;
- (7) Enable the enlistment of the BPATs in maintaining community linkages and conduct of PCVE programs to pre-empt emerging threats;
- (8) Conduct Information Operations; and
- (9) Perform other tasks as ordered.

d) DIDM

- (1) TDIDM serves as member of the oversight committee;
- (2) Designate WCPC, DIDM as member of TG Investigation;
- (3) Assist the ATC in the designation of terrorist individuals, groups of persons, organizations or associations in coordination with the CIDG and the RIDMD to secure well-founded evidence for the freezing of their assets through AMLC and eventual filing of complaint in court upon proscription;
- (4) Liaise regularly with the DOJ for the efficient prosecution of arrested terrorist suspects and their cohorts and other matters relative to the implementation of this MC;
- (5) Assist in the filing of all appropriate complaints and the prosecution of members of the terrorist groups;
- (6) Direct the WCPC to provide assistance and support on activities involving women and children related to terrorism and counter-terrorism that fall under its mandate; and
- (7) Perform other tasks as ordered.

e) DL

- (1) Provide initial logistical requirements to the Task Force such as mobility, office and communication equipment;

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- (2) Provide additional logistical support to the Task Force on a case-to-case basis; and
 - (3) Perform other tasks as ordered.
- f) **DC**
- (1) Appropriate minimal funding as MOOE for the Task Force, and provide funds for its special projects upon request and approval of CPNP; and
 - (2) Perform other tasks as ordered.
- g) **DHRDD**
- (1) Design appropriate training programs/seminars for the Task Force personnel, infused with Human Rights-Based Policing, International Humanitarian Law and International Human Rights Standards for Law Enforcement, in coordination with DO and DPCR, to enhance their capability in the performance of their assigned tasks relative to this MC;
 - (2) Prepare a list of PNP personnel with specialized anti-terrorist training and skills for possible deployment/detail to the Task Force; and
 - (3) Perform other tasks as ordered.
- h) **DPRM**
- (1) Issue orders for the designation of the Commander and Staff of the Task Force;
 - (2) Issue orders for the detail of PNP personnel to the Task Force; and
 - (3) Perform other tasks as ordered.
- 2) **APCs (NL, SL, VIS, EM and WM)**
- a) Create a sub-oversight committee and supervise the PROs under its jurisdiction in the implementation and replication of the operational concept of the Task Force into a regional context;
 - b) Submit periodic information and accomplishment reports to TDCO;
 - c) Conduct monthly meetings to assess the status of threat groups;
 - d) Supervise the PROs in the initiation of legal offensive activities against terrorist groups and its supporters;
 - e) Supervise the PROs in the establishment and/or sustenance of its link with AFP counterparts; and
 - f) Perform other tasks as ordered.

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3) National Support Units (NSUs)

a) CIDG

- (1) The Director, CIDG is designated as TF Commander;
- (2) Designate DDA, CIDG as TF Executive Officer;
- (3) Designate DDO, CIDG as Head of TG Investigation;
- (4) Designate SLO, CIDG as Legal Officer of TG Investigation;
- (5) Designate OMD, CIDG as TF Administrative Staff;
- (6) Designate C, OMD, CIDG as the TF Head Secretariat;
- (7) Designate ID, CIDG as member of TG Intelligence;
- (8) Designate InD, CIDG as member and secretariat of TG Investigation;
- (9) Designate PIO, CIDG as member of TG Strategic Communication;
- (10) Provide assistance in the ATC designation of terrorist individuals, groups of persons, organizations or associations in coordination with DIDM to secure well-founded evidence for the freezing of their assets through AMLC and eventual filing of complaint in court upon proscription;
- (11) Ensure regular coordination with the DOJ for the prosecution of suspected terrorist elements;
- (12) Ensure regular coordination with the AMLC for matters of terrorism financing;
- (13) Provide personnel augmentation and other resources to support the Task Force;
- (14) Provide investigative technical assistance to the Task Force for legal offensive initiatives;
- (15) Provide any information report regarding suspected terrorists and/or terrorism-related plans and activities; and
- (16) Perform other tasks as ordered.

b) CSG


- (1) Designate OMD, CSG as member of TG Operations;
- (2) Designate FESMD, FEO, and SOSIA as members of TG Intelligence;
- (3) Assist the Task Force in the monitoring of movement of suspected firearms, explosives, explosives ingredients, and similar materials;
- (4) Assist the Task Force in the conduct of Firearms Records Verification;
- (5) Provide information to IG and/or DI on any suspected terrorists in the guise of Security Guards; and
- (6) Perform other tasks as ordered.

c) SAF

- (1) Designate the Deputy Director for Operations, SAF, as Head of TG Operations;
- (2) Designate SLO, SAF as Legal Officer of TG Operations;
- (3) Designate OMD, SAF as member and secretariat of TG Operations;

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- (4) Designate FIID, SAF as member of TG Intelligence;
 - (5) Designate PCRD, SAF as member of TG Strategic Communication;
 - (6) Actively participate in the conduct of simulation and table top exercises;
 - (7) Provide personnel augmentation and technical support to the Task Force if situation necessitates;
 - (8) Provide any information report regarding suspected terrorists and/or terrorism-related plans and activities; and
 - (9) Perform other tasks as ordered.
- d) **HPG**
- (1) Designate OMD, HPG as member of TG Operations;
 - (2) Designate MVCDID, HPG as member of TG Intelligence;
 - (3) Designate InD, CIDG as member of TG Investigation;
 - (4) Provide mobile security escorts to other tasked units, if needed;
 - (5) Provide investigative support, particularly on the identification of motor vehicles used by terrorist suspects;
 - (6) Assist in the conduct of mobile surveillance;
 - (7) Provide any information report regarding suspected terrorists and/or terrorism-related plans and activities; and
 - (8) Perform other tasks as ordered.
- e) **AVSEGROUP**
- (1) Designate OMD, AVSEGROUP as member of TG Operations;
 - (2) Designate ICTD, AVSEGROUP as member of TG Intelligence;
 - (3) Designate InD, AVSEGROUP as member of TG Investigation;
 - (4) Assist the Task Force in conducting security survey/inspection on airports;
 - (5) Provide any information report regarding suspected terrorists and/or terrorism-related plans and activities;
 - (6) Provide personnel augmentation and technical support to the Task Force if situation necessitates; and
 - (7) Perform other tasks as ordered.
- f) **MG**
- (1) Designate OMD, MG as member of TG Operations;
 - (2) Designate IID, MG as member of TG Intelligence and TG Investigation;
 - (3) Assist the Task Force in conducting security survey/inspection on sea ports;
 - (4) Provide personnel augmentation and technical support to the Task Force if situation necessitates;
 - (5) Provide any information report regarding suspected terrorists and/or terrorism-related plans and activities; and
 - (6) Perform other tasks as ordered.

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- g) **IG**
- (1) The Director, IG is designated as Deputy TF Commander;
 - (2) Designate DDO, IG as Head of TG Intelligence;
 - (3) Designate SLO, IG as Legal Officer of TG Intelligence;
 - (4) Designate OMD, IG as member of TG Operations;
 - (5) Designate ID, IG as member and secretariat of TG Intelligence;
 - (6) Designate CTD, IG as member of TG Intelligence;
 - (7) Operationalize intelligence fusions and participate in the conduct of continuous collaboration and linkages with other agencies and members of intelligence community;
 - (8) Provide intelligence regarding the potential targets of terrorists and countermeasures to avert, neutralize, and strengthen or harden target areas and personalities;
 - (9) Support the Task Force in the conduct of case build-up/, surveillance on suspected terrorists and their supporters, contacts and support elements;
 - (10) Assist the Task Force in the continuous assessment of terrorist threats, specifically the threat groups; and
 - (11) Perform other tasks as ordered.
- h) **PSPG**
- (1) Designate OMD, PSPG as member of TG Operations;
 - (2) Provide personnel augmentation to the Task Force, if needed; and
 - (3) Perform other tasks as ordered.
- i) **PCADG**
- (1) Designate Deputy Director for Operations, PCADG as Head of TG Strategic Communications;
 - (2) Designate CADD, PCADG as member and secretariat of TG Strategic Communications;
 - (3) Designate OMD, PCADG as member of TG Operations;
 - (4) Mobilize NGOs and GOs to support operational activities of the Task Force including deradicalization programs;
 - (5) Provide personnel augmentation and support (e.g., StratCom teams, documentation teams) to the Task Force; and
 - (6) Perform other tasks as ordered.
- j) **FG**
- (1) Designated member of TG Investigation;
 - (2) Provide personnel augmentation to the Task Force, if needed;
 - (3) Direct concerned experts to testify in courts, if required; and

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- (4) Perform other tasks as ordered.
- k) **DEG**
- (1) Designate OMD, DEG as member of TG Operations;
 - (2) Designate IFLD, DEG as member of TG Intelligence;
 - (3) Designate LID, DEG as member of TG Investigation;
 - (4) Provide operational support, particularly on the involvement of terrorist suspects in narcotics; and
 - (5) Perform other tasks as ordered.
- l) **AKG**
- (1) Designate OMD, AKG as member of TG Operations;
 - (2) Designate IRAD, AKG as member of TG Intelligence;
 - (3) Designate ICMD, AKG as member of TG Investigation;
 - (4) Provide support to the Task Force in the conduct of police operation and investigation on terrorism-related KFR cases;
 - (5) Provide any information report regarding suspected terrorists and/or terrorism-related plans and activities; and
 - (6) Perform other tasks as ordered.
- m) **ACG**
- (1) Designate CPIU, ACG as member of TG Intelligence;
 - (2) Designate InD, ACG as member of TG Investigation;
 - (3) Provide support to the Task Force on its anti-cyber terrorism campaign;
 - (4) Provide technical support through RACUs to PROs in the recovery of digital forensic data from devices recovered from terrorist suspects;
 - (5) Provide any information report regarding suspected terrorists and/or terrorism-related plans and activities; and
 - (6) Perform other tasks as ordered.
- n) **EOD/K9 Group**
- (1) Designate OMD, EOD/K9 as member of TG Operations;
 - (2) Provide support to the Task Force preferably during the implementation of the pro-active phase;
 - (3) Ensure operational readiness of all EOD personnel, police service dogs and other equipment; and
 - (4) Perform other tasks as ordered.
- o) **IMEG**
- (1) Designate IDD, IMEG as member of TG Intelligence;

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- (2) Assist the Task Force in the identification, conduct of case build-up/surveillance on suspected terrorists and their supporters, contact and support elements; and
 - (3) Perform other tasks as ordered.
- p) **HSS**
- (1) Make available the PNP Custodial Center for the detention and debriefing of arrested terrorist suspects;
 - (2) Provide appropriate security to confined terrorist suspects at the PNP General Hospital and for the transfer of detained terrorist suspects from Custodial Center to concerned courts during their trials; and
 - (3) Perform other tasks as ordered.
- q) **LSS**
- (1) Provide the necessary logistical requirements/support to the Task Force; and
 - (2) Perform other tasks as ordered.
- r) **LS**
- (1) D, LS serves as member of the oversight committee;
 - (2) Designate C, LD, LS as TF Legal Adviser who shall assist the Task Force on legal matters to ensure the attainment of its mission;
 - (3) Assist the Task Force in coordination with the IG and CIDG in the filing of complaint against suspected terrorists;
 - (4) Provide personnel augmentation and technical assistance to the Task Force; and
 - (5) Perform other tasks as ordered.
- s) **CES**
- (1) Provide secured electronic communication equipment to the Task Force and the tasked units, if needed; and
 - (2) Perform other tasks as ordered.
- 4) **RD, PROs**
- a) Organize the operationalization of a Regional Task Force Sanglahi-Bravo under the supervision of its respective APCs, replicating the operational concept of the Task Force into a regional context;

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- b) Ensure the implementation of the Anti-Terrorism Defense Block System in their respective AORs;
- c) Assist the Task Force with the direct supervision of its APC in the conduct of intervention against suspected terrorists in their respective AORs;
- d) Submit periodic information and accomplishment reports to its respective APC;
- e) Conduct monthly meetings to assess the status of threat groups;
- f) Initiate legal offensive activities against terrorist groups and its supporters;
- g) Initiate lateral coordination with NICA and the NBI to be included in the conduct of monthly meeting to assess the status of threat groups;
- h) Establish and/or sustain links with AFP counterparts;
- i) Coordinate with the Task Force, through the National Coordinator, any terrorism-related information and operations; and
- j) Perform other tasks as ordered.

5) Task Force Sanglahi-Bravo

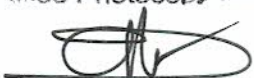
- a) Assist the ATC in the designation of terrorist individuals, groups of persons, organizations or associations and secure well-founded evidence for the freezing of their assets through AMLC and eventual filing of complaint in court upon proscription;
- b) Assist the PROs in the conduct of threat analysis and vulnerability assessment;
- c) Prepare assessment of specific terrorist groups and their probable targets;
- d) Assist the PROs in the conduct of security surveys/inspections in all probable targets and vital installations;
- e) Conduct intelligence fusion, capacity/capability building enhancement programs, and international cooperation;
- f) Conduct case build-up/surveillance of suspected terrorists and their supporters, contacts, and support elements;
- g) Monitor the movement of suspected firearms, explosives, explosives ingredients, and similar materials;
- h) Conduct pre-emptive strikes against terrorist personalities/safe houses in coordination with other government agencies;
- i) Ensure and maintain close coordination with the ATC;
- j) File appropriate cases against members of terrorist groups, as warranted;
- k) Formulate plans that include personnel, logistical and financial requirements upon implementation of this MC;
- l) Formulate annual financial considerations to be submitted to the DC for its subsequent inclusion in the proposed PNP annual budget;
- m) Formulate budgetary considerations to be submitted to DC for Special Projects targeting High Profile Terrorists;

- n) Optimize the creative use of laws already in place to investigate, detain and/or disrupt both legal and illegal activities of known or suspected terrorists; and
- o) Perform other tasks as ordered.

7. PROCEDURES:

- a. Adherence to the Rule of Law and Respect for Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law shall be emphasized:
 - 1) Rule of Law shall always prevail during the conduct of all police operations and activities; and
 - 2) Respect for human rights and dignity, and strict adherence to International Humanitarian Law and Police Operational Procedures shall always be observed at all times in all police operations.
- b. All PNP units shall re-assess their respective resources and capabilities. Current IMPLANS and Standard Operating Procedure shall be updated to conform to this MC;
- c. The Task Force shall operate within existing budgetary limits of its task units, but may request special funding on special projects subject to the approval of the CPNP;
- d. NASUs shall assist the Task Force with its capabilities as deemed necessary;
- e. The national JPSCC shall include the Task Force operational matters in the agenda of its monthly meeting;
- f. The JPSCC-created JTFs shall support the Task Force in carrying out counter-terrorism operations within their areas of jurisdiction;
- g. Maximum coordination with national government agencies, LGUs, NGOs and all sectors of the community, for the success of the Anti-Terrorism Strategy is highly encouraged;
- h. The Task Force shall render reports to TDI that will avert, disrupt, and neutralize suspected terrorist personalities and their activities. In like manner, TDI shall render intelligence report with assessment to the CPNP through TDCO with a copy furnished to TDO, TDIDM, TDPCR and ATC-PMC.
- i. Accomplishment and periodic reports, to include the results of the conduct of intelligence fusion activities, updates on legal offensive initiatives, countering terrorism financing, implementation of the PNP anti-terrorism defense block system, counter-radicalization and deradicalization activities, and capacity or capability building enhancement programs, shall be submitted by the Task Force to the CPNP through the CTTF Oversight Committee chaired by TDCO with a copy furnished to the PNP quad staff, and ATC-PMC.
- j. On the event of an actual terrorist-related incident, the operational guidelines and protocols as prescribed under the IMPLAN of the Sub-Committee on Terrorism and CBRNE (SCTC) to PNP Memorandum Circular No. 2020-081: PNP Critical Incident Management Operational Procedures (CIMOP, Revised 2020) shall apply, thereby transforming

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- the role of the TF Commander of the Task Force to serve as a member to the said sub-committee with other tasked government agencies;
- k. The Task Force shall be activated within one (1) week upon approval of this MC; and
 - l. All tasked units shall submit IMPLANs within one week upon receipt of this MC.

8. REPEALING CLAUSE:

All issuances, memorandum, rules and regulations issued by the PNP inconsistent herewith are deemed repealed or amended accordingly.

9. EFFECTIVITY:

This MC shall take effect after 15 days from filing a copy thereof at the UP Law Center in consonance with Section 3, Chapter 2, Book VII of Executive Order 292 otherwise known as the "Revised Administrative Code of 1987", as amended.




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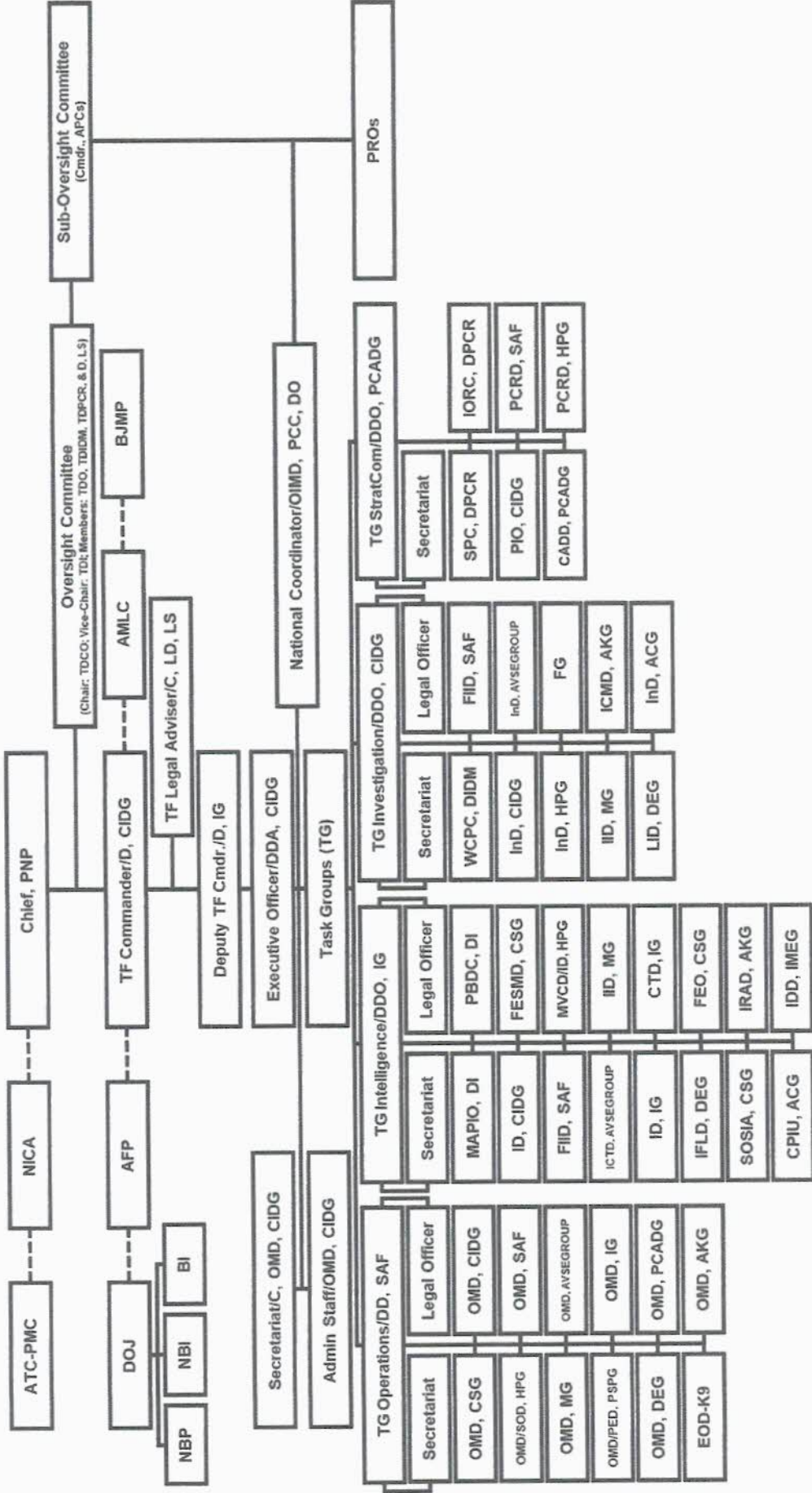
Annexes:

- A – TF Sanglahi-Bravo Organizational Structure
- B – Indicators of Impending Terrorist Attacks

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Annex "A" TF Sanglahi-Bravo Organizational Structure




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Annex "B"
Indicators of Impending Terrorist Attacks

- Persistent intelligence report regarding sightings and/or presence of suspected armed groups/terrorist personalities (foreign and local) in the area
- Acquisition and movement of large quantities of controlled chemicals/bomb components/explosive precursors, firearms, and ammunition
- Intelligence Reports on planned bombings
- Monitored recruitment and trainings of terrorist personalities
- Movement of funds assessed as for bombings/attacks
- Casing and Surveillance being conducted by suspicious personalities
- Test of current security measures by CTGs, LTGs or even Lone Wolf
- Dry runs/test mission
- Concluded probability to launch terrorist attacks during red letter days, days of religious significance, and national/big events
- Recoveries of IED components and explosive precursors
- Monitored convergence/meetings of terrorist leaders and members
- Theft of CBRNE materials/sources with report/s as for use in certain target/s
- Declaration of Terrorism Threat Level (by NICA Standing Committee on Counter-Terrorism)

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