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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF, PNP
Camp Crame, Quezon City

SUBJECT : LOI 01/06 "TF JUDGES, PROSECUTORS AND IBP LAWYERS"

TO : See Distribution

I. References:

- a. Presidential Directive re Anti-Crime Initiative dated January 17, 2006 (Creation of Task Force to ensure the security of Judges, especially those handling cases on heinous crimes).
- b. Memorandum Order No. 02-2006-A dated January 09, 2006 re Expanded Membership of the Reorganized Security Committee under Memorandum Order No. 02-2006.
- c. MOA between PNP and OCA dated April 25, 2005 re Permit to Carry Licensed Firearms.
- d. Supreme Court Resolution En Banc dated August 24, 2004 re Continuous Assassination of Judges.
- e. VI from CPNP re Expansion of security and protection to Judges including Prosecutors and IBP Lawyers handling sensational and heinous crimes.

II. Purpose & Scope:

To provide general direction to concerned police units in the conduct of investigation geared towards the identification, prosecution and arrest of the suspects in the killing of Judges, Prosecutors and IBP Lawyers in the country

III. Situation:

Series of murders of Judges, Prosecutors and IBP Lawyers for the past five (5) years show that there were 10 judges killed, and several prosecutors/IBP Lawyers slain for various reasons. Of this figure, only 50% were filed in court while the remaining cases are still unsolved and or pending investigation for want of material witnesses and sufficient evidence. It is worth to mention also the considerable period of time that lapsed since the occurrence of the same without material progress up to this time.

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Based on the data presented, there is a clear need for the protection and security of judges, prosecutors and IBP lawyers. As part of the criminal justice system, they should be given special attention in order to ensure the administration of justice in the country.

IV. Mission:

To concentrate the police efforts in undertaking case build-up and gathering of evidence and witnesses necessary for the filing of criminal charges against those involved in the murder of judges, prosecutors and IBP lawyers, nationwide.

V. Concept:

To effectively carry out its mission towards the speedy solution of these incidents, the PNP shall create TF JUDGES, PROSECUTORS and IBP LAWYERS, the significant role of which is conceptualized in the following:

- a. Consolidate all the incidents involving killing of judges, prosecutors and IBP lawyers;
- b. Gather sufficient evidence and secure material witnesses;
- c. Evaluate the evidence and the witnesses in terms of relevancy and admissibility;
- d. File appropriate criminal cases and participate in the prosecution of arrested personalities;
- e. Initiate regular case conference with the prosecutors to identify the weaknesses in pursuing the investigation of these cases; and
- f. Constantly coordinate with the Office of Court Administrator to monitor the status of cases and to provide necessary assistance for the security of vulnerable targets such as judges, prosecutors and IBP Lawyers.

VI. Tasks:

a. TDIDM:

- a. OPR in the implementation of this LOI;
- b. Activate TF JUDGES, PROSECUTORS, IBP LAWYERS with Deputy Director, CIDG as Task Force Commander;
- c. Supervise and monitor the progress and activities of the tasked units in the implementation of this plan; and
- d. Perform other tasks as directed.

b. TDPRM:

- a. Issue order for the Deputy Director, CIDG as Task Force Commander, Task Force JUDGES, PROSECUTORS and IBP LAWYERS;
- b. Issue orders for other PNP personnel to compose the Task Force; and

c. Perform other tasks as directed.

c. D, CIDG:

a. Ensure availability of Deputy Director, CIDG for designation as Commander of TF JUDGES, PROSECUTORS, and IBP LAWYERS;

b. Provide personnel augmentation and other resources to support the investigative requirements of the TF; and

c. Perform other tasks as directed.

d. All RDs PRO 1-13, CAR, ARMM, NCRPO:

a. Assist TF JUDGES, PROSECUTORS and IBP LAWYERS in the conduct of investigation in their respective AOR;

b. Provide necessary support to TF JUDGES, PROSECUTORS and IBP LAWYERS and make available personnel for augmentation;

c. Participate in regular case conference to be called for by TF JUDGES, PROSECUTORS and IBP LAWYERS; and

d. Perform other tasks as directed.

e. D, CL:

a. Provide appropriate technical and/or forensic support to the TF JUDGES, PROSECUTORS and IBP LAWYERS; and

b. Perform other tasks as directed.

f. D, IG:

a. Provide timely intelligence information to support the investigation activities of the TF JUDGES, PROSECUTORS and IBP LAWYERS;

b. Provide intelligence personnel and action agents during the conduct of investigation of the TF; and

c. Perform other tasks as directed.

g. D, LS:

a. Provide appropriate legal service to TF JUDGES, PROSECUTORS and IBP LAWYERS; and

b. Perform other tasks as directed.

VII. Coordinating Instructions:

a. TF JUDGES, PROSECUTORS and IBP LAWYERS shall be activated within one (1) week upon approval of this LOI and all tasked units shall submit to DIDM (Attn: CMD) their respective IMPLANS one (1) week upon receipt hereof. Furthermore, D, CIDG shall submit the organizational structure and composition of the TF.

b. Commander, TF JUDGES, PROSECUTORS and IBP LAWYERS shall submit monthly reports to DIDM indicating therein the result of

their investigation and the progress of the cases of slain Judges, Prosecutors and IBP Lawyers for consolidation.

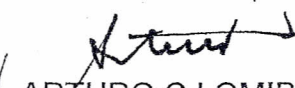
c. Tasked units shall operate on existing logistical and financial allocations.

d. Lateral coordination with other government agencies and all sectors of the society shall be encouraged.

VIII. Effectivity:

This LOI shall take effect immediately.




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