

MALACAÑAN PALACE  
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 15

GRANTING COMBAT ALLOWANCE TO UNIFORMED MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES WHO ARE DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN COMBAT OPERATIONS AGAINST MEMBERS OF NATIONAL SECURITY THREAT GROUPS, THEREBY REPEALING EXECUTIVE ORDER (E.O) NO. 658 DATED SEPTEMBER 6, 2007

**WHEREAS**, the Government fully recognizes the critical role being played by members of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) in the preservation of national security and territorial sovereignty;

**WHEREAS**, members of the armed forces who figure directly in actual combat against various groups who continuously threaten national peace and security should be adequately compensated inasmuch as this assignment involves grave risk to their lives;

**WHEREAS**, the combat duty pay in the amount of P240.00 per month being received by members of the AFP assigned in the field units is not commensurate to the sacrifices and difficulties which our troops experience;

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to amend the provisions of EO No. 658 which provides for an additional P150 per day as Combat Allowance so that funding is actually provided for the grant of combat allowance to members of the AFP who are involved in combat operations;

**NOW THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order that:

**Section 1.** The Combat Allowance specified under EO No. 658, series of 2007 is hereby considered as ineffective. In its stead, a "Combat Allowance" is hereby authorized at a rate of P260.00 per month in addition to the P240.00 per month already being received as combat duty pay.

**Section 2.** AFP members who are actually engaged in combat operations against groups that seek or threaten to imperil national security and sovereignty shall be entitled to this combat allowance.



**Section 3.** The grant of such allowance shall be subject to the following conditions:

- a. There must be a specific combat mission that is duly covered by an Operations Order or a Fragmentary Order verified by the concerned Chief of Command and duly approved by the AFP Chief of Staff; and
- b. Only those included in the roster of enlisted uniformed personnel are entitled thereto.

**Section 4.** The initial funding requirements necessary to implement this Executive Order shall be drawn from the Personal Services (PS) savings realized by the AFP during FY 2010 and in FY 2011 as may be determined by the AFP. Funding for this purpose shall be included in the General Appropriations Act provided that the actual roster of military personnel is submitted to the Department of Budget and Management. The said list shall be the basis of providing funds for the purpose in the succeeding budget years.

**Section 5.** All executive orders, rules and regulations, and other or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby revoked, amended, or modified accordingly.

**Section 6.** This Executive Order shall take effect on January 01, 2011.

**DONE** in the City of Manila, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of Dec. in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

*[Handwritten signature]*  


By the President:

**PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**  
Executive Secretary

