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MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 24

DESIGNATING UNDERSECRETARY ANTONIO C. SANTOS AS CHAIRMAN OF THE SUB-NATIONAL INTERNAL SECURITY COMMITTEE FOR THE PROVINCES OF BASILAN, SULU AND TAWI-TAWI

Pursuant to the President's approval of the creation of the Coordinative and Integrative System on Internal Security and the directive to immediately implement the programs of government on internal security, Undersecretary Antonio C. Santos is hereby designated as Head of the Sub-National Internal Security Committee for the Provinces of Basilan, Sulu and Tawi-Tawi.

He shall be authorized to:

- 1. Coordinate with the cognizant officials/agencies on the implementation of the various programs enunciated by the Cabinet Oversight Committee on Internal Security (COC-IS) and the national government;
- 2. Ensure that offices of departments and agencies at the sub-national level inform the COC, through their respective central offices, of programs and projects with potential or significant internal security implications and see to it that these offices prioritize the initiation and implementation of programs and projects that address the root cause of insurgency;
- 3. Establish information link-up with the Office of the President and relevant departments involved in the project;
- 4. Maintain continuing dialogue and rapport with the community at large and with other government agencies in the area of coverage;
- 5. Establish and operationalize a Sub-National Area Coordination Center as may be deemed necessary; and
- 6. Submit reports to the COC as required.

This Memorandum Order shall take effect immediately.

By Authority of the President:

ALBERTO G. ROMULO FMS LIBRARY Executive Secretary

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