



Republic of the Philippines  
**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**  
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**SPECIAL ORDER**

No. 549

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**SUBJECT: DESIGNATION OF USEC. ZAMZAMIN L. AMPATUAN AS SENIOR OFFICIAL IN CHARGE OF BIOSAFETY, BIOSECURITY AND BIOSURVEILLANCE SUSTAINMENT AND INSTITUTIONALIZATION AND ASEC. WILLIAM C. MEDRANO AS CHAIR OF THE PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE OF THE BIOSAFETY AND BIOSECURITY (BSS) PROJECT**

In the exigency of service, **UNDERSECRETARY ZAMZAMIN L. AMPATUAN** is hereby designated as **SENIOR OFFICIAL IN CHARGE OF BIOSAFETY, BIOSECURITY AND BIOSURVEILLANCE SUSTAINMENT AND INSTITUTIONALIZATION** and **ASSISTANT SECRETARY WILLIAM C. MEDRANO AS CHAIR OF THE PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE OF THE BSS PROJECT**.

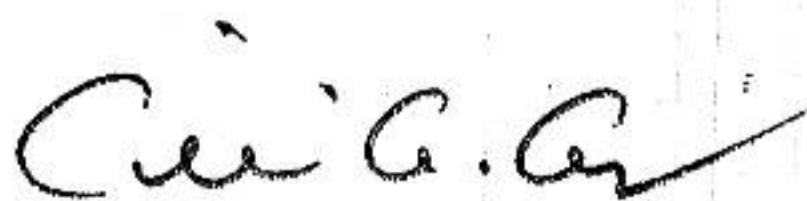
Undersecretary Ampatuan shall perform the duties, functions and responsibilities inherent to the said designation and in particular, exercise oversight on the implementation of the BSS Project, and such others as may be directed by the Secretary.

Assistant Secretary Medrano shall preside the meetings of the Project Steering Committee which shall render decisions and recommendations on issues concerning project implementation. He shall provide the leadership and guidance to participating operating units during the implementation of the project.

All officials and employees of the Department, including its Bureaus, Attached Agencies and Corporations and Regional Field Offices are hereby enjoined to give their full support and cooperation to Undersecretary Ampatuan and Assistant Secretary Medrano in the performance of their duties and responsibilities.

This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force until revoked in writing. All orders inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2020.

  
**WILLIAM D. DAR, Ph.D.**  
Secretary

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