



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

No. 863

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**SUBJECT: DESIGNATION OF DIRECTOR ARNEL V. DE MESA AS ASSISTANT SECRETARY-  
DESIGNATE FOR OPERATIONS**

In the exigency of service, **DIRECTOR ARNEL V. DE MESA** of DA-RFO IV A, is hereby designated as **ASSISTANT SECRETARY-DESIGNATE FOR OPERATIONS** in a full-time capacity.

As such, he shall perform the functions, duties and responsibilities inherent to the designation and such others as directed by the Secretary.

He is entitled to RATA (wherein the RATA of his plantilla position shall be chargeable against the funds of DA-RFO IV A and the difference (RATA of Assistant Secretary and Director IV) shall be chargeable against the OSEC funds), travelling allowance, per diems and incidental expenses that may be incurred in the performance of his duties and responsibilities as designated, chargeable against OSEC funds and other available funds, subject to existing government accounting and auditing rules and procedures.

All officials and employees of the Department including its Bureaus, Attached Agencies and Corporations, and Regional Field Offices are hereby directed to give their full support and cooperation to Asec-designate De Mesa in the performance of his duties and responsibilities.

This Order shall take effect on January 1, 2021 and shall remain enforced unless revoked in writing. All other orders inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 21st day of December 2020.

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

Secretary



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