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SPECIAL ORDER

No. <u>85</u> Series of 2024

SUBJECT

CREATION OF A TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE TERMS OF REFERENCE AND STRUCTURE OF THE OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR INSPECTORATE AND ENFORCEMENT (DA IE)

In the exigency of service and to curb the agricultural smuggling and price manipulation as economic sabotage to ensure food safety and security, promote fair trade, and protect the livelihood and well-being of our farmers and fisherfolk, a Technical Working Group (TWG) to develop the Terms of Reference is hereby created composed of the following:

Chairperson

: Assistant Secretary for Inspectorate and Enforcement

Vice-Chairperson

Director, Legal Service

Members:

- 1. Director, Policy Research Service
- 2. Director, Administrative Service
- 3. Director, Planning and Monitoring Service
- 4. Director, Bureau of Animal Industry
- 5. Director, Bureau of Plant Industry
- 6. Director, Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources
- 7. Executive Director, National Meat Inspection Service

Specifically, this TWG shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

- 1. Formulate the mandates of the DA IE pursuant to applicable laws;
- 2. Develop DA IE's Terms of Reference; and
- 3. Update its current organizational structure.

The Chair of the TWG shall designate personnel from the members who shall act as the Secretariat of the TWG to provide administrative and technical support.

The TWG members and its secretariat shall be entitled to travelling expenses, per diem and other incidental expenses that may be incurred in the performance of their functions, chargeable against the funds of their respective agencies, subject to existing rules and regulations.



This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force until the approval and signature of the DA IE Terms of Reference and its Organizational Structure.

Done this 20 hd day of January 2024.

FRANCISCO P. TIU LAUREL, JR.

Secretary

