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SPECIAL ORDER

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SUBJECT: DESIGNATION OF CARLOS C. CARAG AS OFFICER-IN-CHARGE, OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR DA INSPECTORATE AND ENFORCEMENT (OIC, OFFICE OF THE ASEC FOR DAIE)

In the interest of service, **CARLOS C. CARAG** is hereby designated as **OFFICER-IN-CHARGE, OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR DA INSPECTORATE AND ENFORCEMENT (OIC, OFFICE OF THE ASEC FOR DAIE)**.

As such, he shall perform the following functions, duties and responsibilities:

A. DA Inspectorate

- Conduct validation and monitoring of programs and projects (i.e. DA Banner Programs, Farm to Market Roads, other priority programs) of the Department of Agriculture ensuring that these are implemented in accordance with the operational plans and guidelines and fund utilization, in coordination with Internal Audit Service (IAS), Field Operations Service (FOS), Planning and Monitoring Service (PMS) and Financial and Management Service (FMS);
- Lead the preparation and submission of Field Inspectorate Reports [FIR] with regard to compliance with the plans, systems, and procedures and provide recommendation/s on ways forward for the Secretary's consideration;
- Conduct investigation on allegations of unethical or illicit activities of DA officials and employees (e.g. graft, corruption, misuse of office's equipment/resources for personal use/private enterprise, existence of ghost employees, among others) as reported to the Office of the Secretary;
- Perform inventory of supplies in coordination with DA appropriate divisions/units/sections (e.g. General Services Division at DA-Central Office); and
- Perform such other functions, duties and responsibilities as directed by the Secretary.

B. DA Enforcement

- Conduct intelligence operations on alleged/reported illegal activities and violations on regulatory policies and agricultural anti-smuggling law that negatively impact on the national economy;



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- Conduct document tracking and monitoring of locally produced and imported commodities to deter profiteering and price manipulation as enunciated by RA 7581 or the "Price Act" in coordination with BPI, NMIS, BAI and BFAR and other concerned DA Agencies;
- Investigate regulatory and policy violations and provide assistance in law enforcement and prosecution of cases;
- Recommend and provide inputs on the enhancement of existing regulations, standards, and procedures related to the implementation of the anti-smuggling and food safety laws and other related issuances;
- Lead the coordination with the Bureau of Customs in curbing agricultural smuggling;
- Represent the DA in the inter-agency committees, task force, and other groups /bodies related to agricultural smuggling; and
- Perform such other functions, duties and responsibilities as directed by the Secretary.


OIC Carag shall report directly to the Undersecretary for DAIE who shall clear all matters and concerns prior to any action or decision for the Office.

He is entitled to RATA, travelling expense, per diem and incidental expenses to be incurred in the performance of his functions, duties and responsibilities as designated, chargeable against OSEC funds and other available funds, subject to existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

All officials and employees of the Department, including its Bureaus, Attached Agencies and Corporations, and DA-Regional Field Offices are hereby advised of this designation and directed to give their full support and cooperation to OIC Carag, DAIE in the performance of his duties and responsibilities.

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

Done this 3rd day of April 2024.


FRANCISCO P. TIU LAUREL JR.
Secretary



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