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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

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To: ALL HEADS OF DILG ATTACHED AGENCIES, REGIONAL OFFICES AND ALL CONCERNED.

Subject: Guidelines to address illegal activities of the International Police Commission (INTERPOLCOM).

Date: November 15, 2011

BRIEF BACKGROUND:

Sometime in 1987, Interpolcom submitted a request to then Executive Secretary Catalino Macaraig for the Office of the President's recognition of their organization and authority to be given to two of its members to negotiate with the United Nations for any possible financial or budgetary assistance. The said letter was referred to the National Police Commission and upon its investigation it was revealed that:

- a) Interpolcom is a non-stock, non-profit organization that is recruiting members from various sectors of society enticing them with salaries and benefits and privileges such as free transportation rides, issuance of badges, identification cards and a grant of military rank upon payment of Php 500.00 as membership fee;
- b) It is engaged in organized illegal activities under disguise and with a scheme of assisting the duly constituted authorities in the attainment of peace and order and enforcement of law;
- c) They sent letters and other correspondence to different organizations which impress upon the minds of their recruits and the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) that Interpolcom is accredited by the Philippine government and the United Nations; and

revocation or cancellation of Interpolcom's certificate of registration with the SEC.

Last 07 September 2011, six (6) alleged members of the organization were apprehended by the composite team from Philippine Center for Transnational Crime, Visayas Field Office (PCTC-VFO), MCIAA, Military Intelligence Group 7, Airport Police and Regional Intelligence Unit 7 at the Mactan-Cebu International Airport when the group attempted to apply for temporary pass at the airport allegedly to assist airport authorities in gathering of intelligence information. The arresting team confiscated five (5) caliber 45 pistols with magazines and ammunitions with fictitious documents to support their carrying of firearms.

GUIDELINES:

1. All Heads of line Bureaus are enjoined to apprise their respective divisions, units or offices and personnel, informing them of the presence of the International Police Commission (INTERPOLCOM) and its illegal activities;
2. For the Chief of the Philippine National Police to issue an order to its Regional Offices to conduct a thorough investigation against the illegal activity of this organization in their respective regions and submit a report to this Department; and
3. All line Bureaus are enjoined from accrediting or endorsing any force-multipliers or organizations pertaining to assistance in gathering intelligence information without the proper recommendation by the Department or the Department of National Defense;

For strict compliance and widest dissemination.


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