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**CREATING AND INSTITUTIONALIZING THE QUEZON CITY TASK FORCE FOR  
CAPACITATING URBAN COMMUNITIES FOR PEACE AND DEVELOPMENT  
(QCTF-CUCPD)**

**WHEREAS**, Sections 4 and 5, Article II of the 1987 Constitution establishes that the prime duty of the Government is to serve and protect the people, and that the maintenance of peace and order, the protection of life, liberty and property, and promotion of the general welfare are essential for the enjoyment by all people of the blessings of democracy;

**WHEREAS**, Section 16 of Republic Act (RA) No. 7160, otherwise known as the *Local Government Code of 1991*, mandates every Local Government Unit (LGU) to exercise powers essential to the promotion of the general welfare, and within their territorial jurisdiction ensure safety, maintain peace and order, and preserve the comfort and convenience of the inhabitants;

**WHEREAS**, Executive Order (EO) No. 16, s-2017, "Directing All Government Departments and Agencies including Government-Owned or -Controlled Corporations and Local Government Units to Adopt the National Security Policy 2017-2022 in the Formulation and Implementation of Their National Security Related Plans and Programs", calls for the end of all armed threats in the Philippines and recognizes that internal socio-political stability rests upon healing the rifts that divide the nation by promoting participatory governance, synergy of government development efforts, and enhancing the participation and responsibilities of LGUs;

**WHEREAS**, EO No. 70, s-2018, "Institutionalizing the Whole-of-Nation Approach in Attaining Inclusive and Sustainable Peace, Creating a NTF-ELCAC and Directing the Adoption of the National Plan-ELCAC", addresses the root cause of insurgencies, internal disturbances and tensions, and other armed conflicts and threats by prioritizing and harmonizing the delivery of basic services and social development packages by the government, facilitating societal inclusivity, and ensuring active participation of all sectors of the society in the pursuit of the country's peace agenda;

**WHEREAS**, in support of the President's call to end local communist armed conflict, criminality and violent extremism, the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) issued DILG Memorandum Circular (MC) No. 2020-095 providing remedial measures on the localization of EO No. 70 and all DILG peacebuilding initiatives amidst the COVID-19 pandemic;

**WHEREAS**, one of the peacebuilding initiatives under DILG MC No. 2020-095 is Capacitating Urban Communities for Peace and Development (CUCPD), which serves as a platform for convergence and collaboration among all stakeholders in the local level in championing the drive to improve the institutional capacity of LGUs to undertake peacebuilding programs that are development-oriented and context-sensitive to solve the prevailing and emerging issues of the various sectors of the society;

WHEREAS, included in the Mayor's Executive Agenda is the explicit desire to deliver responsive, efficient, and cost-effective social services (Agenda Item No. 1), and to build a safer and more resilient city (Agenda Item No. 6), this includes the realization within Quezon City of United Nations Sustainable Development Goal (UN-SDG) No. 16 to significantly reduce all forms of violence and related death rates everywhere and to end abuse, exploitation, trafficking and all forms of violence against and torture of children;

WHEREAS, one of the priority areas of the Quezon City Peace and Order and Public Safety (POPS) Plan, which was adopted by the Quezon City Peace and Order Council (QCPOC), focuses on Anti-Insurgency to address the perceived communist infiltration problems that besiege the City and to assist in the National Government's efforts to put an end to the local communist armed conflict as directed by EO No. 70, s. 2018.

NOW, THEREFORE I, MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE, Mayor of Quezon City, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. CREATION. The Quezon City Task Force for Capacitating Urban Communities for Peace and Development (QCTF-CUCPD) is hereby created.

SECTION 2. COMPOSITION. The QCTF-CUCPD shall be led by the following:

- 2.1. Chairperson : The City Mayor
- 2.2. Vice-Chairperson : The Assistant City Administrator for Operations
- 2.3. Action Officer : The Head, Department of Public Order and Safety

Regular members of the QCTF-CUCPD shall comprise of the designated representatives of the following City Departments/Offices/Agencies, and National Agencies operating in Quezon City:

- (4) Office of the Vice Mayor
- (5) Quezon City Council
- (6) Office of the Secretary to the Mayor
- (7) Representative from the Sanggunian Kabataan Federation
- (8) Representative from the QC - Peace and Order Council
- (9) Representative from the City Development Council
- (10) City Legal Department
- (11) Public Affairs and Information Services Department
- (12) Radio Communications Services Office
- (13) Public Employment Services Office
- (14) Social Services Development Department
- (15) Barangay and Community Relations Department
- (16) City Health Department
- (17) Task Force on Transport and Traffic Management
- (18) Task Force Disiplina
- (19) Market Development and Administration Department
- (20) Housing and Community Development and Resettlement Department
- (21) City Engineering Department
- (22) City Architect's Department
- (23) City Assessor's Office
- (24) Sustainable Development Affairs Unit
- (25) Quezon City University
- (26) Department of the Interior and Local Government - QC
- (27) Quezon City Police District
- (28) Criminal Investigation and Detection Group - QC
- (29) Public Attorney's Office - QC



- (30) Armed Forces of the Philippines - Joint Task Force NCR
- (31) Division of City Schools - QC
- (32) Department of National Defense - Task Force Balik Loob

Said members have been identified to ensure the Quezon City Government's alignment with the goals and objectives of the National Task Force - ELCAC, and shall be subsequently organized by the QCTF-CUCPD into CUCPD Clusters once guidance is provided by the DILG pursuant to Item No. 8 of DILG MC 2020-0950.

**SECTION 3. DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS OF THE QCTF-CUCPD.** The QCTF-CUCPD shall have the following duties and functions:

- 3.1. Pursue the overall end goal of developing and mobilizing empowered target sectors in urban communities towards inclusive peace and development, these five sectors being (a) the youth and students, (b) labor, (c) transport, (d) urban poor, and (e) women;
- 3.2. Monitor and cause the intensification (as needed), for the purposes of the realization of the CUCPD and ELCAC, of the eight DILG-identified pillars of (a) a well-functioning Government, (b) equitable distribution of resources, (c) free flow of information, (d) good relations with neighbors, (e) high levels of human capital, (f) acceptance of the rights of others, (g) low levels of corruption, and (h) sound business environment;
- 3.3. Initially organize its members into general teams that will monitor and cause the intensification (as needed), of the following: (a) basic service delivery, (b) citizenship and community participation, (c) peace, law enforcement, and development support, and (d) sectoral unification, this is without prejudice to guidance to be subsequently provided by the DILG pursuant to Item No. 8 of DILG MC No. 2020-095;
- 3.4. Prepare the Local Peace and Development Plan, consistent with the other plans of the Quezon City Government as provided in Section 7, below, most importantly the Quezon City Peace and Order and Public Safety (POPS) Plan, in convergence with all stakeholders to ensure participation of the community members in development planning;
- 3.5. Organize Barangay Task Forces and strengthen Barangay-Based institutions in priority and other Barangays, which shall complement EO 70 and CUCPD within their areas of jurisdiction.;
- 3.6. Sustain the operation of the QCTF-CUCPD and establish and strengthen citizenship and community participation mechanisms to guarantee sustainability of the CUCPD.
- 3.7. Ensure regular submission of reports to the NTF-ELCAC and the DILG EO 70 PMO and adhere to the feedback mechanism prescribed by the Regional Task Force and establish the same from the City down to the Barangay level
- 3.8. Provide appropriate support to peace and development projects and activities, primarily by enlisting the assistance of any Local or National Government Department, Bureau, Offices, Agencies, or instrumentality of the movement, the Government-Owned or Controlled Corporations (GOCCs), and State Universities and Colleges (SUCs), in accordance with their respective mandates in the implementation of the CUCPD.

**SECTION 4. QCTF-CUCPD SECRETARIAT.** The QCTF-CUCPD shall designate members of the QCTF-CUCPD Secretariat from among their respective offices.

**SECTION 5. DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS OF THE QCTF-CUCPD SECRETARIAT.** The QCTF-CUCPD shall have the following duties and functions:

- 5.1. Submit an organizational and staffing pattern and directory of the QCTF-CUCPD to the Regional Task Force within one (1) month from the creation of the Task Force.
- 5.2. Provide standard Secretariat services to the QCTF-CUCPD.
- 5.3. Consolidate the CUCPD accomplishments of each Cluster.
- 5.4. Ensure proper coordination of the CUCPD implementation through the feedback mechanism established by the Regional Task Force.

**SECTION 6. RESOURCE AVAILABILITY.** Funding necessary to carry out the functions of the QCTF-CUCPD, including the implementation of specific policies and PPAs contained in the POPS Plan, shall be sourced from available funds of the Office of the City Mayor and from the respective funds of the various concerned Departments, Offices, and Task Forces, once identified.

**SECTION 7. CONSISTENCY WITH LOCAL PLANS.** For planning purposes, all policies and programs, projects and activities (PPAs) emanating from the QCTF-CUCPD, as contained in the Local Peace and Development Plan, shall be consistent with the Quezon City Peace and Order and Public Safety Plan (POPS) and included in this Administration's Comprehensive Development Plan (CDP), Local Development Investment Plan (LDIP), and Annual Investment Program (AIP). Only in extremely justifiable cases shall emergency projects and/or purchases be considered, as duly approved by the Task Force and the Quezon City Council, subject to pertinent laws, guidelines and procedures.

**SECTION 8. DISSEMINATION.** A copy of this Executive Order shall be furnished to the Office of the President and the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA) for information and guidance, pursuant to Section 455(1) (xii) of RA 7160, as amended, and shall be posted at the official website of the Quezon City Government.

**SECTION 9. EFFECTIVITY.** This order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, 14 November, Quezon City.



MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE  
City Mayor