

In order to effect proper evaluation, management, and settlement of administrative cases in the Department, the functions, roles, and responsibilities of the Complaints Validation and Investigation Committee (CVIC) and the Task Force Against Corruption (TAG) are hereby restored and returned to the Internal Affairs Division of the Legal Service (IAD-LS) the duly constituted investigative prosecuting arm of the Department. The CVIC and the TAG are hereby abolished. Likewise, the function of issuing Certification of No Pending Administrative Case/s (Legal Clearance) of the IAD-LS is hereby restored from the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Legal Affairs.

The Chairmen of CVIC and TAG are hereby directed to turn over all documents pertaining to their respective Committee/Task Force to the Internal Affairs Division, Legal Service within fifteen (15) days from receipt hereof, this includes all the pending request for Legal Clearance.

This Order shall take effect immediately and supersedes:

- 1. Department Order No. 51, Series of 2019 Reconstitution of the Complaints Validation and Investigation Committee (CVIC);
- Department Order No. 101, Series of 2020 Creation of Task Force Against Corruption (TAG) and Department Order No. 113, Series of 2020 – Internal Procedure of the Task Force Against Graft and Corruption (TAG); and
- 3. Department Order NO. 64, Series of 2021 Designation of Asec. Mel John I. Versoza, Assistant Secretary for Legal Service and Special Concerns to sign and issue Certificate of No Pending Case in this Department.

For strict and immediate compliance.

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