



**DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 09-07**  
Series of 2009.

**Subject : DEPUTATION OF ALL FIELD PERSONNEL OF THE NATIONAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION TO STRICTLY IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF R.A. NO. 7581, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "PRICE ACT"**

WHEREAS, under Section 2 of R.A. No. 7581, it is the policy of the State to provide effective and sufficient protection to consumers against hoarding, profiteering and cartels with respect to the supply distribution, marketing and pricing of said goods, especially during periods of calamity, emergency, widespread illegal price manipulation and other similar situations;

WHEREAS, pursuant to R.A. No. 7581, the Secretary of the Department of Trade and Industry is designated as Chairman of the Price Coordinating Council and Price Action Officer, and as such, empowered to call upon any official, agent, employee, agency or instrumentality of the national or local government for any other assistance that he may deem necessary to carry out the purposes of the law;

WHEREAS, corollary thereto, under Section 2 (5) of R.A. No. 7581, the State shall establish a mechanism that will readily protect consumers from inadequate supply and unreasonable price increases on occasions of calamities, emergencies and like occurrences;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 3 (1), Chapter 1, Title X, Book IV of E.O. No. 292 s. 1987 (Administrative Code of 1987), the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) is empowered to formulate and implement policies, plans and programs relative to the development, expansion, promotion and regulation of trade, industry and investments;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 3 (7), Chapter 1, Title X, Book IV of E.O. No. 292, the DTI is also empowered to protect consumers from trade malpractices and from substandard or hazardous products.

NOW THEREFORE, foregoing premises considered, it is hereby ordered that:

**Section 1.** All field personnel of the National Bureau of Investigation (NBI) are hereby deputized and directed to strictly implement the provisions of R.A. No. 7581 within their respective area of responsibility.

**Section 2.** All field personnel of the NBI shall constantly monitor the prices of basic necessities and prime commodities, and other consumer products within their respective area of responsibility, seeing to it that no price increases shall be imposed by

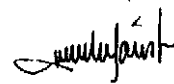
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store owners, dealers and suppliers therein who are dealing with such goods. NBI field personnel are to effect the immediate arrest of violators of the Price Act while in the commission of the offense or immediately thereafter.

**Section 3.** All field personnel of the NBI found to be violating this Department Administrative Order shall be dealt with in accordance with the applicable laws.

**Section 4.** This Department Administrative Order shall take effect immediately upon signing hereof, and shall remain effective until sooner revoked or superseded.

Issued this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of October 2009, in the City of Makati.

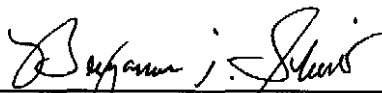


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Subject: Deputation of the NBI

Date : October 5, 2009

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Attached is a Department Administrative Order deputizing all NBI field officers and operative to implement the Price Act and to effect the immediate arrest of violators during the commission of the offense or immediately thereafter.

This DAO covers all regions and also confirms the earlier deputation by ASec. M. T. Pelayo-Ty of the NBI agents for DTI-NCR.

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