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**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2007- 08**

**RELATIVE TO AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER 2002-14 AND THE REORGANIZATION AND REALIGNMENT OF THE FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES OF THE FORMER DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**WHEREAS**, Public Law No. 26-76 abolished the Department of Commerce and disbursed its functions to various entities of the government of Guam including the Economic Research Center which was transferred to the Bureau of Statistics and Plans ("BSP"); and

**WHEREAS**, at the time of enactment, BSP did not have a chief economist and therefore Executive Order No. 2002-14 was promulgated to reorganize and realign the functions and duties of the former Department of Commerce by transferring the personnel, duties and responsibilities of the Economic Research Center to the authority of the Department of Labor; and

**WHEREAS**, the BSP has hired a chief economist who is responsible for analyzing, evaluating and reporting on economic policies and external conditions affecting Guam's economy; developing and designing the data indices need; and supervising and applying quality controls and adjustments to validate the statistical results; and

**WHEREAS**, the BSP's chief economist oversees the Economic Research Center which is authorized to collect, compile, develop, analyze, disseminate and publish quality scientific indices and economic indicators, including but not limited to economic growth, trade, balances, exports, imports, consumer prices and other information relating to economic conditions. The Economic Research Center supports the Bureau of Statistics and Plans mandate to disseminate and make available economic, social and physical data and information for researchers, policy makers and the public; and

**WHEREAS**, under 1422c(c) of the Organic Act of Guam, *I Maga'låhan Guåhan* "...shall from time to time, examine the organization of the executive branch of the government of Guam, and shall determine and carry out such changes therein as are necessary to promote effective management and to execute faithfully the purposes of this chapter and the laws of Guam;" and

**WHEREAS**, *I Maga'låhen Guåhan* believes the transfer of the Economic Research Center from the Department of Labor to the Bureau of Statistics and Plans promotes effective management of the departments of the government and faithful execution of the laws.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, FELIX P. CAMACHO**, *I Maga'låhen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do order as follows:

- 1 I hereby invoke my authority, as Governor, to reorganize the Executive Branch of the Government of Guam pursuant to 48 U.S.C. § 1422c(c).



- 2 The personnel, duties and responsibilities of the Economic Research Center, formerly of the Department of Commerce, and subsequently transferred to the Department of Labor, shall now be under the authority of the Bureau of Statistics and Plans.
- 3 Nothing in this Executive Order is intended to directly or indirectly remove, harm or diminish the rights and privileges of these employees, without due process.
- 4 Any equipment, budget and supplies currently allocated within the Economic Research Center shall remain under the direct purview of the respective unit.
- 5 The Bureau of Statistics and Plans, is responsible for the implementation of this Executive Order. All affected agencies shall comply with the provisions of this Executive Order under the direction of the Bureau of Statistics and Plans.
- 6 The Bureau of Budget and Management Research (BBMR) is responsible for ensuring the administration of all funds associated with this Executive Order.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagåtña, Guam this 6th day of June, 2007.

FELIX P. CAMACHO

*I Maga' lāhen Guahan*  
Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

MICHAEL W. CRUZ, M.D.  
*I Segundu Maga'lahen Guahan*  
Lieutenant Governor of Guam

