

TERRITORY OF GUAM
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AGAÑA, GUAM 96910
U.S.A.

## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 95-22

RELATIVE TO DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY IN ORDER TO RECRUIT RETIRED CUSTOMS OFFICERS IN THE CUSTOMS AND QUARANTINE AGENCY TO ASSIST IN THE "WAR ON ICE".

WHEREAS, the Governor has formed the Guam Crime Commission and the First Lady has formed a Task Force, both to combat the use of the drug methamphetamine, commonly known as "ice"; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that we strengthen detection of the importation of illegal drugs at our ports of entry: the airport and the harbors; and

WHEREAS, drug seizure levels at the ports of entry are now exceeding seizure levels in the last 5 previous years, and according to records of the Guam Police Department, in 1994, less than half of the total crimes committed on Guam, or 48%, were drug related, whereas in 1995, nearly three fourth of all crimes committed on our island, or 72%, are drug related; and

**WHEREAS**, between 1994 and 1995, there has been an increase of at least 25% in property crimes, larceny-theft crimes, and auto-theft crimes which are drug related; and

WHEREAS, violence related to drug trafficking and drug use has increased tremendously over this past year, and an emergency situation exists in our community where young people and adults of all economic groups are being exposed to the drug "ice" and other dangerous drugs, affecting their health and welfare; and

WHEREAS, in order to increase the territory's resources in the "War against Ice", it is necessary to acquire the services of retired Customs Officers for a limited period of time to augment and support law enforcement efforts against drug abuse and drug-related crimes;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CARL T.C. GUTIERREZ, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vest in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, and the laws of Guam, do hereby order the following:

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- 1) Pursuant to \$5215 of Title 5, Guam Code Annotated, authorizing Emergency Procurement upon Executive Order, the Director of the Bureau of Budget and Management Research is authorized to transfer to the Customs and Quarantine Agency an amount not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) from outstanding appropriations within the General Fund for immediate procurement to start recruiting retired Customs Officers for a limited period on contract, to augment and support the law enforcement efforts of the Customs and Quarantine Agency.
- 2) The authorization for the certification, approval, and expenditure of necessary funds pursuant to §5215 of Title 5, Guam Code Annotated, shall be this Executive Order, subject only to the exhaustion of identified funds. Any funds not so expended shall revert to the General Fund.
- 3) Emergency procurement may be used for procurement of hiring on contract, and for supplies and materials, in retaining the retired Police Officers.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Agana, Guam this 18th day of October, 1995.

CARL T. C. GUTIERREZ
Governor of Guam

**COUNTERSIGNED:** 

MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO

Lieutenant Governor of Guam