



TERRITORY OF GUAM  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
AGAÑA, GUAM 96910  
U. S. A.  
EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 96-35

RELATIVE TO ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO INVESTIGATE CONDITIONS AT THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS TO DETERMINE THE STATUS OF THE SECURITY SYSTEMS, THE STATUS OF ENFORCEMENT OF REQUIRED LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO THE INMATES, AND IF THERE IS THE PRESENCE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS WITHIN THE INSTITUTION.

**WHEREAS**, recently two prisoners serving life sentences escaped from the Department of Corrections and were apprehended after several days of being at large in the community; and

**WHEREAS**, there are reports that one of the escapees was seen in the community even prior to the recorded escape, suggesting that perhaps this inmate was leaving and entering the prison facility and suggesting that such access may have been facilitated by prison personnel; and

**WHEREAS**, information was received some time back that contraband, namely illegal drugs, were present in the prison facility, and a final determination of this situation has not yet been made; and

**WHEREAS**, the Director of the Department of Corrections has requested assistance to investigate conditions at the Department of Corrections to determine the status of the security systems, the status of enforcement of required laws, rules and regulations pertaining to the inmates, and if there is the presence of illegal drugs within the institution; and

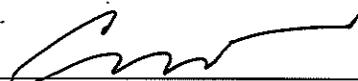
**NOW, THEREFORE, I, CARL T. C. GUTIERREZ**, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act do order:

1. There is established a Department of Corrections Task Force to investigate conditions at the Department of Corrections to determine the status of the security systems, the status of enforcement of required laws, rules and regulations pertaining to the inmates, and if there is the presence of illegal drugs within the institution
2. The Department of Corrections Task Force shall consist of:
  - a) an Assistant Attorney General,
  - b) investigators of the Department of Law (Attorney General's Office),
  - c) investigators of the Guam Police Department, and
  - d) a public member, to be deputized;

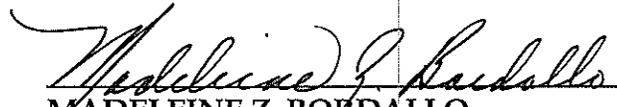


3. The Department of Law (Attorney General's Office) shall take the lead in the investigation, with the assistance of personnel from the other task force members; and
4. A preliminary report shall be submitted to the Governor on the subject matter of this Executive Order within Thirty (30) days.

**SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Agana, Guam this 19th day of November, 1996.**

  
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**CARL T. C. GUTIERREZ**  
Governor of Guam

**COUNTERSIGNED:**

  
**MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO**  
Lieutenant Governor of Guam