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**SUBJECT** 

CREATION OF A CORE GROUP TO UNDERTAKE THE TECHNICAL DELINEATION OF THE OUTER LIMITS OF THE PHILIPPINE CONTINENTAL SHELF

In the interest of National Security and in line with the obligation of the Philippines under Article 76 of the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) to delineate the outer limits of its continental shelf where that shelf extends beyond 200 nautical miles from the baselines and submit all relevant charts and information to the United Nations, a Core Group is hereby created to prepare such relevant charts and information, to be composed of the following personnel from MGB and NAMRIA:

## Mines and Geosciences Bureau

Angel A. Bravo Group Leader Mario A. Aurelio Tectonics

Yolanda Aguilar Stratigraphy and Paleontology

Joel A. Natividad Seismic

Marcelo M. Alilio Magnetics

Danilo M. Octaviano Gravity

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## **National Mapping and Resource Information Authority**

Commo. Renato B. Feir Group Leader

Engr. Dennis Bringas Lt. Herbert Catapang

In the performance of its functions, the Core Group shall coordinate with other agencies and entities that are part of the Project on the delineation of the outer limits of the continental shelf, including, but not limited to, the Department of Foreign Affairs, University of the Philippines Institute of International Legal Studies (UP-ILS) and National Institute of Geological Sciences (UP-NIGS) and Department of Energy.

All offices of the Department shall assist the Core Group by allowing the use of their facilities and providing information relevant to its work. To keep the OSEC abreast with regard to the progress of the Project, the Core Group shall submit regular reports to the Secretary through the Head Executive Assistant. In the course of the work of the Core Group, the Office of the Head Executive Assistant shall assist in identifying problems in project implementation and recommend options to push the implementation of the project forward.

The funds required for the operation of the Core Group shall be taken from the budget of the respective agencies concerned.

HERSON T. ALVAREZ

Secretary

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