

JOINT STATEMENT

PURSUANT TO THE IMPLEMENTING ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES OF THE GRP-MILF AGREEMENT ON THE GENERAL CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES (AGCH), DATED SEPTEMBER 12, 1997, AND THE GRP-MILF AGREEMENT "TO REAFFIRM THE PURSUIT OF PEACE", DATED FEBRUARY 10, 1999, THE GRP-MILF COORDINATING COMMITTEES ON CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES (CCCH) JOINTLY COMMIT THEMSELVES TO WORK FOR THE TOTAL AND FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGCH.

BOTH COMMITTEES ALSO COMMIT THEMSELVES TO FULLY SUPPORT THE CONTINUANCE AND SUCCESS OF THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

LIKEWISE, SAID COMMITTEES SUBSCRIBE TO FORMULATE AND INSTITUTE PRE-EMPTIVE AND PRO-ACTIVE MEASURES TO ENSURE THE OBSERVANCE OF THE AGCH AND TO FULLY SUPPORT THE INDEPENDENT FACT FINDING COMMITTEE (IFFC)/QUICK RESPONSE TEAM (QRT) IN THEIR MANDATED TASK AND FUNCTIONS.

IT WAS ALSO AGREED THAT THE FOLLOWING ARE THE PRIORITIES FOR VERIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULE V OF THE IMPLEMENTING ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES:

1. CAMP OMAR IBN AL KHATAB (MAGUINDANAO)
2. CAMP BADRE (MAGUINDANAO)
3. CAMP BILAL (LANAO DEL NORTE)
4. CAMP RAJAH MUDA (COTABATO/MAGUINDANAO)
5. CAMP DARAPANAN (MAGUINDANAO)

BOTH COMMITTEES AGREED THAT THE JOINT SECRETARIAT OFFICE WILL BE ESTABLISHED AT THE NDU PEACE CENTER, COTABATO CITY, AND THAT THERE SHALL BE THREE (3) SUB-COMMITTEES/WORK GROUPS TO BE CREATED WHICH SHALL TACKLE THE FOLLOWING:


1. ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS AND LOGISTICAL/ BUDGETARY REQUIREMENTS, INCLUDING SECURITY DETAILS AND OTHER OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS;
2. FORMULATION OF GUIDELINES IN THE CONDUCT OF OCULAR INSPECTIONS/VERIFICATION OF MILF CAMPS/POSITIONS; AND,
3. CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES COORDINATION AND AGENDA PREPARATION.

THESE SUB-COMMITTEES SHALL SUBMIT WITHIN ONE (1) WEEK THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS OR PROPOSALS TO THE JOINT CCCH EN BANC.

IT WAS FINALLY AGREED THAT IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE FINALIZATION AND ADOPTION OF THE GUIDELINES/PROCEDURES ON THE IDENTIFICATION/VERIFICATION OF MILF CAMPS/POSITIONS, THE JOINT CCCH SHALL COMMENCE ACTUAL INSPECTION OF THE SAID AREAS.

DONE THIS 17TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 1999 AT TANGHALANG MICHAEL CLARK, NOTRE DAME UNIVERSITY, COTABATO CITY.

FOR THE GRP:



EGEN JOSE PROCESO T TORRELAVEGA AFP
Chairperson, GRP CCCH

FOR THE MILF:



SULTAN SAIFUDIN TOMAWIS
Chairperson, MILF CCCH

MEMBERS



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BADAWI HASHIM



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LTC CALIXTO A SAQUIN, PA



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