



Republic of the Philippines
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Manila

097.13 DPWH
09-02-2005

AUG 31 2005

DEPARTMENT ORDER) SUBJECT : **ABOLITION OF THE DPWH**
No. **84**) **COMPLAINTS AND ACTION CENTER**
Series of 2005) **AND TRANSFERRING ITS FUNCTIONS**
TO THE DPWH INTERNAL AFFAIRS
OFFICE

In the interest of the service and in order to preclude possible duplication of functions in the Department in the conduct of investigations on complaints which are administrative in nature, the Complaints and Action Center (CAAC) created under Department Order No. 152, series of 2003, is hereby abolished and its functions transferred to the DPWH Internal Affairs Office (IAO) created under Department Order No. 6, series of 2005.

The IAO shall have the following functions:

1. Conduct investigation on complaints filed against DPWH officials and employees;
2. Issue subpoena and subpoena duces tecum and administer oaths;
3. Submit to the Secretary reports on the results of its investigations;
4. Recommend formulation of formal charges or dismissal of complaint and the issuance of preventive suspension for approval of the Secretary;
5. Serve as prosecutor on offenses such as grave misconduct, dishonesty, grave neglect of duty, and other similar grave offenses committed by the DPWH officials and employees; and,
6. Serve as the Coordinating Office of the DPWH with the Presidential Anti-Graft Commission (PAGC), the Office of the Ombudsman and other agencies regarding various anti-corruption activities.

The designated Head of the IAO shall report directly to the Secretary.

The personnel who have been reassigned earlier to the CAAC will be absorbed by the IAO.

The office space previously occupied by the CAAC will now be used by the IAO. All other assets and records of the CAAC will correspondingly be turned-over to the IAO.

The Undersecretary for Administration, Finance and Legal Service is hereby directed to oversee the implementation of this Order and to submit a corresponding report to the Office of the Secretary.

This Order supersedes previous issuances inconsistent herewith and shall take effect immediately.

HERMOGENES E. EBBANE, JR.
Acting Secretary

