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AN ACT

INSTITUTIONALIZING THE 1989 UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES — DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENSE ACCORD, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9500, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES, CHARTER OF 2008, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. A new Section 11-A is hereby inserted to read as follows:

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SEC. 11-A. PRIOR NOTIFICATION ON THE ENTRY OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES WITHIN THE PREMISES OF THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY. — PRIOR NOTIFICATION SHALL BE GIVEN BY THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY, SUCH AS, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES (AFP), THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE (PNP), OR ANY OTHER AGENCY INTENDING TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS WITHIN THE PREMISES OF THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY NATIONWIDE, TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY, OR THE CHANCELLOR OF THE CONSTITUENT

UNIVERSITY, OR THE DEAN OF THE REGIONAL UNIT CONCERNED, OR THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS-IN-CHARGE, IN THE EVENT OF THEIR ABSENCE, WHEN THE SITUATION SO WARRANTS.

SEC. 2. A new Section 11-B is hereby inserted to read as follows:

SEC. 11-B. PROHIBITION ON THE ENTRY OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY PERSONNEL WITHIN THE PREMISES OF THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY. — EXCEPT IN CASES OF HOT PURSUIT AND SIMILAR OCCASIONS OF EMERGENCY, OR IF INDISPENSABLY NECESSARY IN THE MAINTENANCE OF SECURITY, PEACE AND ORDER AS DETERMINED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY, OR CHANCELLOR OF THE CONSTITUENT UNIVERSITY, OR THE DEAN OF THE REGIONAL UNIT CONCERNED, OR THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS-IN-CHARGE IN THE EVENT OF THEIR ABSENCE, NO MEMBER OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY OR ANY PERSON/S ACTING ON THEIR BEHALF SHALL ENTER THE PREMISES OF THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY.

WHENEVER REQUESTED BY LAW ENFORCERS, THE APPROPRIATE UNIVERSITY OFFICIALS SHALL EXTEND THE NECESSARY ASSISTANCE IN LAW ENFORCEMENT WITHIN THE PREMISES OF THE CAMPUSES.

WHENEVER THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY, OR THE CHANCELLOR OF THE CONSTITUENT UNIVERSITY, OR THE DEAN OF THE REGIONAL UNIT CONCERNED, OR THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS-IN-CHARGE IN THE EVENT OF THEIR ABSENCE, DETERMINES THAT THE ASSISTANCE OF

THE AFP, THE PNP, OR OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY IS INDISPENSABLE TO THE MAINTENANCE OF SECURITY AND PEACE AND ORDER WITHIN THE UNIVERSITY PREMISES, THE SAID OFFICIAL SHALL SO INFORM IN WRITING THE HEAD OF THE AFP, PNP, OR OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY UNIT IN THE AREA, AND THE LATTER SHALL PROMPTLY DISPATCH SUCH ASSISTANCE AS MAY BE WARRANTED BY THE CIRCUMSTANCES.

IN CASE THE REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE IS GRANTED, ONLY UNIFORMED MEMBERS OF THE AFP, PNP, OR OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN PROPER UNIFORM AND WITH PROPER IDENTIFICATION SHALL BE ALLOWED ENTRY INTO THE CAMPUS OR REGIONAL UNIT CONCERNED, EXCEPT WHERE THE ASSISTANCE REQUESTED SPECIFIES OTHERWISE.

SEC. 3. A new Section 11-C is hereby inserted to read as follows:

SEC. 11-C. SERVICE AND EXECUTION OF WARRANTS. —
THE SERVICE OR EXECUTION OF SEARCH, ARREST,
DEPORTATION, OR ANY OTHER WARRANT ON ANY
STUDENT, FACULTY, OR PERSONNEL, REGARDLESS OF
THEIR STATUS OF ENROLLMENT, ENGAGEMENT OR
ARRANGEMENT, AND/OR INVITED GUESTS OR
PARTICIPANTS IN ANY OFFICIAL ACTIVITY, SHALL BE IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULES AND REGULATIONS
PROMULGATED BY THE SUPREME COURT OR OTHER
APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENT AGENCY, AS MAY BE
APPLICABLE, AND AS FAR AS PRACTICABLE, WITH PRIOR
NOTIFICATION TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY,

OR THE CHANCELLOR OF THE CONSTITUENT UNIVERSITY, OR THE DEAN OF THE REGIONAL UNIT CONCERNED, OR THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS-IN-CHARGE IN THE EVENT OF THEIR ABSENCE. THE SAME REQUIREMENT OF NOTIFICATION APPLIES TO ANY ORAL OR WRITTEN INVITATION FOR QUESTIONING OR SIMILAR PURPOSES.

IN CASE OF PRIOR NOTIFICATION, THE PARTY SERVING OR EXECUTING THE WARRANT SHALL COORDINATE CLOSELY WITH MEMBERS OF THE CAMPUS SECURITY GROUP WHO SHALL ACCOMPANY AND ASSIST SUCH PARTY IN THE SERVICE OR EXECUTION OF THE WARRANTS. SIMILARLY, NO WARRANT SHALL BE SERVED OR EXECUTED WITHOUT THE PRESENCE OF AT LEAST TWO (2) U.P. FACULTY MEMBERS DESIGNATED BY THE APPROPRIATE U.P. OFFICIAL.

IF PRIOR NOTIFICATION IS NOT PRACTICABLE, A REPORT ON THE SAME SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE CONCERNED U.P. OFFICIAL IMMEDIATELY, BUT NOT LATER THAN TWENTY-FOUR (24) HOURS AFTER SUCH UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT.

SEC. 4. A new Section 11-D is hereby inserted to read as follows:

SEC. 11-D. ARREST, DETENTION, AND CUSTODIAL INVESTIGATIONS. — THE ARREST OR DETENTION ANYWHERE IN THE PHILIPPINES OF ANY STUDENT, FACULTY, OR PERSONNEL, OR INVITED GUESTS OR PARTICIPANTS IN ANY OFFICIAL ACTIVITY SHALL BE REPORTED IMMEDIATELY BY THE RESPONSIBLE HEAD OF THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY EFFECTING THE ARREST

OR DETENTION TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY, OR THE CHANCELLOR OF THE CONSTITUENT UNIVERSITY, OR THE DEAN OF THE REGIONAL UNIT CONCERNED, OR THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS-IN-CHARGE IN THE EVENT OF THEIR ABSENCE, WHO SHALL THEN TAKE THE NECESSARY ACTION. THE SAME PRIOR NOTIFICATION APPLIES TO ANY ORAL OR WRITTEN "INVITATION" FOR OUESTIONING OR SIMILAR PURPOSES.

NO STUDENT, FACULTY, PERSONNEL, OR SUCH INVITED GUEST/S OR PARTICIPANT/S REFERRED TO SHALL BE SUBJECTED TO CUSTODIAL INVESTIGATION WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY, OR THE CHANCELLOR OF THE CONSTITUENT UNIVERSITY, OR THE DEAN OF THE REGIONAL UNIT CONCERNED, OR THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS-IN-CHARGE IN THE EVENT OF THEIR ABSENCE: PROVIDED, THAT SAID CUSTODIAL INVESTIGATION SHALL BE CONDUCTED IN THE PRESENCE OF THE COUNSEL OF CHOICE OF THE STUDENT, FACULTY, PERSONNEL, OR SUCH INVITED GUEST/S OR PARTICIPANT/S, OR WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF COUNSEL WHO SHALL BE APPOINTED FOR THEM BY THE AFOREMENTIONED OFFICIALS.

SEC. 5. A new Section 11-E is hereby inserted to read as follows:

SEC. 11-E. PROHIBITION ON THE AFP, PNP, AND OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES TO INTERFERE WITH PEACEFUL PROTEST ACTIONS. — MEMBERS OF THE AFP, PNP, OR OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES SHALL NOT INTERFERE WITH THE PEACEFUL PROTEST ACTIONS BY INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS WITHIN THE PREMISES OF

THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY AND THOSE HELD OUTSIDE OF ITS PREMISES BY RECOGNIZED STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS, FOR WHICH A PRIOR NOTIFICATION HAVE BEEN MADE BY THE GROUP PARTICIPATING IN SUCH PEACEFUL PROTEST. UNIVERSITY OFFICIALS SHALL BE DEEMED RESPONSIBLE FOR THE BEHAVIOR OF THEIR STUDENTS, FACULTY, AND EMPLOYEES IN SUCH ACTIVITIES.

SEC. 6. A new Section 11-F is hereby inserted to read as follows:

SEC. 11-F. STRENGTHENING OF THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY'S SECURITY, POLICE, AND FIREFIGHTING CAPABILITIES. — UNIVERSITY OFFICIALS SHALL ENDEAVOR TO STRENGTHEN THE SECURITY, CRIME RESPONSE AND PREVENTION, AND FIREFIGHTING CAPABILITIES OF THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY TO PREVENT ITS CAMPUSES FROM BEING EXPLOITED BY MALEFACTORS OR CRIMINAL ELEMENTS.

UNIVERSITY OFFICIALS AND THE OFFICIALS OF SECURITY FORCES IN THE CAMPUSES, SUCH AS THE CAMPUS SECURITY GROUP, SHALL STRIVE TO COORDINATE CLOSELY, EFFICIENTLY, AND HARMONIOUSLY WITH THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF STUDENTS, FACULTY, AND PERSONNEL OF THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY, INVITED GUESTS AND PARTICIPANTS IN OFFICIAL ACTIVITIES, AS WELL AS THE RESIDENTS OF THE CAMPUSES.

 THE SECURITY FORCES IN THE CAMPUSES SHALL ENGAGE IN JOINT TRAINING AND ENHANCE THE SHARING OF INFORMATION AND OTHER RESOURCES WITH THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES TO COMBAT CRIME AND HELP ENSURE LAW AND ORDER ON THE CAMPUSES.

THE UNIVERSITY SECURITY FORCES SHALL REPORT, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, ALL CRIMES COMMITTED WITHIN THE CAMPUSES TO THE PNP AND RENDER THE NECESSARY ASSISTANCE TO ENSURE THE PROSECUTION OF CRIMINALS.

SEC. 7. A new Section 11-G is hereby inserted to read as follows:

SEC. 11-G. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE JOINT MONITORING GROUP AND CONSTITUENT UNIVERSITY-BASED AND REGIONAL UNIT-BASED JOINT MONITORING GROUPS. -THERE SHALL BE ESTABLISHED A NATIONAL UNIVERSITY JOINT MONITORING GROUP, WHICH SHALL COMPOSED OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT FOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS OR HIS DULY DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE, FACULTY REGENT, STAFF REGENT, STUDENT REGENT, ONE (1) UNIVERSITY ALUMNUS, AND THE FOLLOWING GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS: THE UNDERSECRETARY OF NATIONAL DEFENSE FOR CIVILIAN RELATIONS, AFP JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL OR HIS REPRESENTATIVE, THE PNP ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF FOR OPERATIONS, THE PNP DIRECTOR OF THE CIVIL SECURITY GROUP. THE ALUMNUS SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE JOINT MONITORING GROUP.

THERE SHALL LIKEWISE BE ESTABLISHED, IN EACH CONSTITUENT UNIVERSITY AND REGIONAL UNIT, JOINT MONITORING GROUPS, WHICH SHALL INCLUDE THE CHANCELLOR OF THE CONSTITUENT UNIVERSITY OR THE DEAN OF THE REGIONAL UNIT, OR THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS-IN-CHARGE IN THE EVENT OF THEIR ABSENCE. ONE (1) REPRESENTATIVE EACH FROM THE STUDENTS, FACULTY, PERSONNEL GROUP IN THE CONCERNED UNIT, AND ONE (1) ALUMNUS, TO BE APPOINTED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE RESPECTIVE JOINT MONITORING **UNIVERSITY-BASED** GROUPS. CONSTITUENT REGIONAL UNIT-BASED JOINT MONITORING GROUPS SHALL PROVIDE REGULAR REPORTS TO THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY JOINT MONITORING GROUP REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT.

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THE JOINT MONITORING GROUP SHALL MEET AT LEAST TWICE A YEAR TO ENSURE AND DETERMINE COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT.

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SEC. 8. Implementing Rules and Regulations. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, upon consultation with relevant stakeholders, the members of the Joint Monitoring Group shall formulate the rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

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SEC. 9. *Separability Clause.* – If, for any reason, any section, clause, or term of this Act is held to be illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional, such parts not affected by such declaration shall remain in full force and effect.

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SEC. 10. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, presidential decrees, issuances, executive orders, letters of instruction, rules and regulations or any part hereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 11. Effectivity. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation, whichever comes earlier.

Approved,