

Republic of the Philippines
Department of the Interior and Local Government
NATIONAL POLICE COMMISSION
Quezon City

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-546

**APPROVING THE ACTIVATION OF THE TOURIST POLICE UNITS (TPUs)
OF ANGELES CITY POLICE OFFICE AND LAPU-LAPU CITY POLICE OFFICE**

WHEREAS, the Constitution and Section 14 of Republic Act No. 6975, as amended, provides that the National Police Commission (NAPOLCOM) shall exercise administrative control and operational supervision over the Philippine National Police (PNP);

WHEREAS, in conformity with the provisions of Republic Act No. 9593 otherwise known as *The Tourism Act of 2009*, the NAPOLCOM issued Resolution No. 2012-001, providing for the activation of additional twenty-five (25) PNP Tourist Police Units (TPUs);

WHEREAS, relative thereto, the PNP submitted NHQ-PNP General Orders No. DPL 15-10 which provides for the activation of the TPUs of Angeles City Police Office and Lapu-Lapu City Police Office which shall be placed under the direct administrative as well as operational control and supervision of the City Directors of Angeles CPO, PRO 3 and Lapu-Lapu CPO, PRO 7, respectively;

WHEREAS, said TPUs shall perform the following functions pursuant to aforesaid NAPOLCOM Resolution:


- a. Enforce laws and ordinances relative to the protection of lives, properties, and environment in their areas of responsibility (AOR);
- b. Exercise general powers to make arrests, searches, and seizures in accordance with the Constitution and pertinent laws; as well as detain an arrested person for a period not beyond what is prescribed by law and informing the person so detained of all his rights under the Constitution;
- c. Conduct regular patrol and police visibility to ensure the safety and protection of tourists, travelers and residents within the assigned AOR;
- d. Facilitate and provide adequate assistance, service, and security protection to tourists within the AOR;
- e. In coordination with local police stations, monitor and investigate all cases involving tourists to resolve conflicts and undertake immediate appropriate action;
- f. During emergency situations, secure and obtain critical areas and immediately call for the participation of emergency responders and the concerned Crisis Management Committee (CMC); and

- g. Assist in the conduct of emergency/disaster programs such as Search and Rescue as well as provide Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and First Aid measures.


WHEREAS, after the evaluation of the proposal, the Commission finds the activation of Angeles City Police Office and Lapu-Lapu City Police Office Tourist Police Units to be in order;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Commission, pursuant to its constitutional and statutory mandates, HEREBY RESOLVES TO APPROVE, AS IT HEREBY APPROVES, the activation of Angeles City Police Office and Lapu-Lapu City Police Office Tourist Police Units.

APPROVED this 30th day of OCTOBER in Quezon City, Metro Manila, Philippines.


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Secretary, DILG/
Chairman, NAPOLCOM




EDUARDO U. ESCUETA
Commissioner

Vice Chairman and Executive Officer

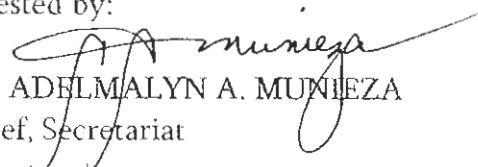

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