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

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 2004-002

UPGRADING SANTIAGO CITY POLICE STATION INTO A CITY POLICE OFFICE, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE NAPOLCOM RESOLUTION NO. 92.-36, DATED OCTOBER 15, 1992.

WHEREAS, Napolcom Resolution No. 92-36 approved the revised organizational structure, functions and staffing pattern of the Philippine National Police (PNP);

WHEREAS, Republic Act Numbered 7720 otherwise known as the "Charter Of The City Of Santiago" was signed into law on May 5, 1994, providing among others the conversion of the Municipality of Santiago, Isabela into an independent component city;

WHEREAS, Napolcom Resolution No. 92-36 failed to provide as to who will exercise command and control over city police office of independent component cities unlike that of a city police office of highly urbanized cities where it is specifically prescribed therein that it shall be under the direct command and control of the PNP Regional Director;

WHEREAS, the City Peace and Order Council (POC) of Santiago on account of its conversion from municipality into an independent component city passed Resolution No. 2001-09-001 favorably endorsing to the Commission the upgrading of the Santiago City Police Station into Santiago City Police Office and its eventual separation from the Isabela Provincial Police Office;

WHEREAS, Article 59, Rule XII of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, provide among others that highly urbanized cities and independent component cities shall be independent of the province;

WHEREAS, the Chief, PNP, in his letter dated March 15, 2002, recommended to the Commission the approval of NHQ General Order Numbers DPL 02-1 upgrading Santiago Police Station into City Police Office and its placement under the command and control of the Regional Director, Police Regional Office No. 2;

NOW THEREFORE, the Commission, in the exercise of its constitutionally mandated authority to administer and control the PNP, **HEREBY RESOLVED TO UPGRADE**, **AS IT HEREBY UPGRADES**, the Santiago City Police Station into a City Police Office and for this purpose further **AMENDS** Letter G of Resolution No. 92-36 to read as follow:

G. The City Police Stations of highly urbanized cities outside of NCR and **independent component cities** shall be under the direct command and control of the PNP Regional Director and equivalent to a provincial office.

ADOPTED this _____ day of __APRIL___ in the year Two thousand and Four, in Makati City, Philippines Control of the contro CELIA V. SANIDAD LEONES GUÉL G. ČORONEL Commissione (3 Sp. 0) Commissioner \{ HERMOGENES # Commission Attested by:

Chief, Secretariat