

Republic of the Philippines
Department of the Interior and Local Government
NATIONAL POLICE COMMISSION
Bakati, Metro Manila

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 91-005

PRESCRIBING PROPER CONDUCT AND DECORUM DURING CONFRONTATION
WITH, OR APPREHENSION OF, TRAFFIC LAW/ORDINANCE VIOLATORS

WHEREAS, the National Police Commission has been receiving persistent reports that some traffic policemen are regularly engaged in extortion activities, effected through behind-the-scene settlement of traffic violation cases;

WHEREAS, the widespread report is that certain traffic policemen, after signalling an erring driver to put his vehicle at full stop, would usually require the latter to alight and then bring him somewhere else not within the full view of his passengers, where money changed hands and fast settlement of the traffic violation case occurs;

WHEREAS, the accusations against traffic policemen have now become too prevalent and apparently too pervasive to be simply ignored;

WHEREFORE, for purposes of insuring integrity and proper decorum in the confrontation/apprehension of traffic law/ordinance violators, the following rules and regulations for strict observance by PNP traffic enforcers are hereby promulgated:

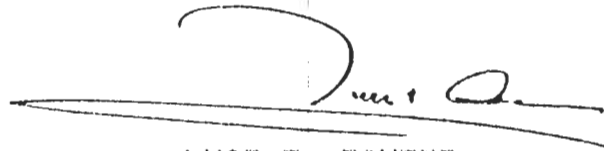
1. A traffic law/ordinance violator shall at all times be politely but firmly addressed and requested to put his vehicle at full stop by the roadside, then he shall be properly informed of his violation by the apprehending officer.

2. The erring driver shall not be required to alight from his vehicle, instead, the traffic officer shall ask for the former's driver's license and shall forthwith proceed to fill up the appropriate traffic violation ticket on or near the hood of the vehicle within the full visual access at the vehicle's passengers.

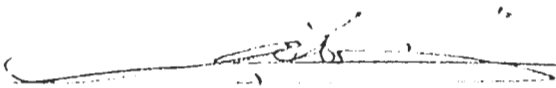
3. Any PNP traffic enforcer found violating this Circular shall be administratively dealt with accordingly.

4. The PNP Director General is hereby directed to disseminate copies of this Circular to all subordinate PNP Commanders to insure maximum compliance.

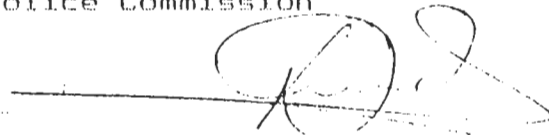
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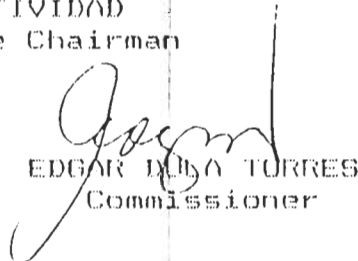
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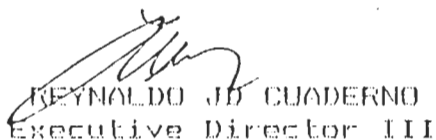


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