

#### APPROVING AMENDMENT'S TO THE GUIDELINES ON THE PROCUREMENT OF PRINTING SERVICES

The Government Procurement Policy Board (GPPB), under Section 63 of the RA 9184 and its IRR-A, is mandated to formulate and amend public procurement policies, rules and regulations, and amend the IRR, whenever necessary.

Pursuant to Section 29 of Republic Act (RA) 9970 (General Appropriations Act of 2010), procuring entities have the option to engage the services of private printers for their printing and publication expenditures, subject to public bidding in accordance with RA 9184 and pertinent accounting and auditing rules and regulations: PROVIDED, that the printing of accountable forms and sensitive high quality/volume printing requirements shall only be undertaken by recognized government printers, namely: Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas, National Printing Office and APO Production Unit, Inc.

The 2010 Veto Message of former President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo states that the Government Procurement Policy Board (GPPB), as the procurement policy arm of the Government, should define and set the criteria or standards in determining what constitutes sensitive high quality/volume printing requirements which may be undertaken by the named government printers without the need for public bidding. Consequently, implementation of this provision should be subject to guidelines to be issued by the GPPB.

After extensive consultations and deliberations by the Inter-Agency Technical Working Group (IATWG), together with the stakeholders and the GPPB-TSO, the IATWG approved the guidelines and agreed to favorably recommend the same for the approval of the GPPB;

The GPPB, during its meeting held last 29 October 2010, discussed the guidelines on procurement of printing services and approved the same through GPPB Resolution No. 05-2010.

In light of the enactment of Republic Act (RA) 10147 (General Appropriations Act of 2011), and considering the requests for clarification from various government agencies, the GPPB discussed the applicability of the Guidelines during its 2<sup>nd</sup> Regular Board Meeting last 25 February 2011.

During said meeting, the GPPB agreed that the Guidelines remains applicable inasmuch as the policy enunciated in the GAA of 2010 was entirely adopted in the GAA of 2011 as evident on the verbatim repetition of Section 29 of the GAA of 2010 in Section 25 of the GAA of 2011. In this regard, the GPPB further agreed to the amend the policy statement of the said guidelines to clarify that it shall be applicable to succeeding GAAs, unless a contrary or inconsistent policy is adopted therein.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, for and in consideration of the foregoing, **WE**, the Members of the **GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT POLICY BOARD**, by virtue of the powers vested on **US** by law,

hereby **RESOLVE** to confirm, adopt and approve, as **WE** hereby confirm, adopt and approve, the following:

### POLICY STATEMENT

1.1 Pursuant to the <u>relevant provisions of the General Appropriations Act</u>, procuring entities have the option to engage the services of private printers for their printing and publication expenditures, subject to public bidding in accordance with RA 9184 and pertinent accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February 2011 at Manila, Philippines

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