COMMISSION ON THE CONSTITUTION

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 10

CREATING A CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE 1987 CONSTITUTION

WHEREAS, the Constitution of a nation is the embodiment of the sovereign will, ideals, and aspirations of its people;

WHEREAS, there is a need to review the 1987 Philippine Constitution to ensure that it is truly reflective of the needs, ideals, and aspirations of the Filipino people, and to ensure that the mandate of the people, as expressed thereon, is responsive to the changing times;

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 17 of the Constitution provides that the President shall ensure that the laws are faithfully executed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and existing laws, do hereby order:

Section 1. Creation and Mandate. There is hereby created a Consultative Committee under the Office of the President, which shall study, conduct consultations, and review the provisions of the 1987 Constitution including, but not limited to, the provisions on the structure and powers of the government, local governance, and economic policies.

The Committee shall submit its report, recommendations and proposal to the President.

Section 2. Composition. The Consultative Committee, which shall be composed of not more than twenty-five (25) Members, including a Chairperson who shall preside over its deliberations, shall, as far as practicable, represent the different sectors of the country. All Committee Members shall be appointed or designated by the President.

The Executive Secretary, or his designated representative, shall act as an observer during the deliberations of the Committee.

Section 3. Qualifications of Members. No person shall be appointed or designated a Member of the Committee unless he/she is a natural-born citizen and a resident of the Philippines, at least twenty-five years of age, a qualified voter, and of recognized probity, independence, nationalism, patriotism, and expertise in his field.

Section 4. Filling of Vacancies. Whenever a vacancy occurs in the Committee, the President may appoint or designate a new member to fill the vacancy, taking into consideration the region or sector of the Member who caused such vacancy.
Section 5. Internal Rules and Procedures. The Committee shall formulate and adopt its internal rules and procedure in conducting the study, review, and consultations on the provisions of the 1987 Constitution within fifteen (15) days from the date it is convened.

In the conduct of consultations, the Committee shall ensure transparency, and the extensive participation of the Filipino people.

Section 6. Technical and Staff Support. Each Member of the Committee may hire or engage not more than two (2) technical personnel to assist in the performance of his duties under this Order, subject to the approval of the Chairperson of the Committee.

The Presidential Management Staff shall serve as the Secretariat of the Committee and provide the needed technical, administrative, and staff support in carrying out its mandate.

Other government entities, agencies and instrumentalities are directed, and local government units are encouraged, to render such necessary assistance for the Committee to carry out its mandate.

Section 7. Compensation. Each Member shall receive a reasonable per diem for every day of attendance in the Committee and necessary travelling expenses to and from his residence when attending the sessions of the Committee in such amounts to be determined by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM).

Section 8. Completion. The Committee shall endeavor to complete its work on or before the lapse of six (6) months from the date it is convened. After its presentation to the President of its report, recommendations and proposal, the Committee shall wind up its operations.

Upon the President's transmittal of the Committee's recommendations and proposals to Congress, the Committee shall cease to exist.

Section 9. Funding. The DBM is hereby directed to determine and provide the funding requirements for the operational expenses of the Committee, and the funds necessary for the hiring of technical personnel, in accordance with applicable budgetary and auditing laws, rules and regulations.

Section 10. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

Section 11. Effectivity – This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 7th day of December in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Sixteen.

By the President:

[Signature]

SALVADOR C. MEDIALDEA
Executive Secretary