

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 30-85

Placing the Office of Public Defender within the Ministry of State and Transferring Functions of Ministry of State to the President Pending Appointment and Confirmation of the Minister of State

WHEREAS, Part VI of Executive Order No. 9, as amended, provides that the Ministry of State shall be headed by the Vice President as Minister of State, and provides further that all bureaus and divisions responsible for major programs and administrative support of the government shall be under direct supervision of said Vice President/Minister of State; and

WHEREAS, Part VII of same Executive Order No. 9 places administrative supervision of the Office of Public Defender under the Vice President of the Republic of Palau; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 28, issued on January 31, 1985, dissolved the Office of the Ambassador for Status Negotiations and Trade Relations and by Administrative Directive No. 19-85, all remaining functions of said Ambassador's Office, including matters relating to the Compact of Free Association, were officially transferred to the Ministry of State; and

WHEREAS, due to the vacancy occurring in July, 1985 in the Office of the President and in accordance with Section 11, Article VIII of the Constitution, the Vice President/Minister of State ascended to the Presidency leaving the position of Minister of State vacant; and

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as President of the Republic of Palau under Section 7, Article VIII of the Constitution, and pursuant to Section 5 of Public Law No. 7-8-8, it is hereby declared and ordered as follows:

1. All functions, duties and responsibilities within the jurisdiction of the Ministry of State, as set forth under Part VI of Executive Order No. 9, as amended, are henceforth placed or otherwise transferred to the President of the Republic of Palau.
2. The remaining functions of the former Office of the Ambassador for Status Negotiations and Trade Relations, in particular, matters relating to the Compact of Free Association between Palau and the United States, are likewise placed or otherwise transferred to the President.
3. Administrative supervision of the Office of Public Defender is henceforth placed under the purview of the Minister of State and all references to "Vice President", as the same appear in Part VII of Executive Order No. 9, as amended, are hereafter changed to "Minister of State".
4. Upon issuance, provisions of this Executive Order shall take effect and remain in force until the appointment and confirmation of the Minister of State, or unless otherwise suspended, rescinded or revoked by subsequent executive order or orders.

WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunder set my hand and affixed my official seal this 11th day of September, 1985, in the State of Koror, Republic of Palau.

Lazarus Salii
President
Republic of Palau