

## **Executive Order No. 326**

### *Amending Executive Order No. 316 to Clarify Its Intent and Effect*

**WHEREAS**, Executive Order No. 275, issued on October 19, 2009, reduced the ability of the Attorney General's office to do its job, and subjected its opinions to suppression or alteration by the Office of the President; and

**WHEREAS**, Executive Order No. 275, therefore prevented the Attorney General's Office from effectively doing its job and the Executive Branch suffered from this lack of legal guidance; and

**WHEREAS**, Executive Order No. 275 was amended by Executive Order No. 306, but the amendment did not change the practical effect of Executive Order No. 275; and

**WHEREAS**, Executive Order No. 316 rescinded Executive Order No. 275 in its entirety in order to give the Attorney General the greatest amount of independence; and

**WHEREAS**, the intent of Executive Order No. 316 was to rescind Executive Order No. 275, as well as all amendments thereto, but there is some question whether rescinding Executive Order No. 275 resulted in the rescission of its amendments as well;

**NOW, THEREFORE** by virtue of the authority vested in the President by Article VIII of the Constitution of the Republic of Palau and the aforementioned laws, the President orders as follows:

That Executive Order No. 316 is amended to provide that Executive Order No. 306 is also **RESCINDED** in its entirety.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2013.

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Tommy E. Remengesau, Jr.  
President  
Republic of Palau