

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION AND
COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

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DEPARTMENT CIRCULAR

NO. 2017 - 001

TO: ALL HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS, BUREAUS, OFFICES AND OTHER AGENCIES OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT, INCLUDING CONSTITUTIONAL COMMISSIONS, CONGRESS, THE JUDICIARY, OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN, STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES, GOVERNMENT-OWNED OR -CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS, LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AND ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

SUBJECT: AMENDING THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL PUBLIC KEY INFRASTRUCTURE (PNPKI) ROOT CERTIFICATION AUTHORITY CERTIFICATE POLICY VERSION 1.0

SECTION 1. BACKGROUND AND RATIONALE

- 1.1 Executive Order (E.O.) No. 810, series 2009 institutionalized the certification scheme for digital signatures and directed the application of digital signatures in e-Government Services.
- 1.2 Section 3(a) of E.O. No. 810, s2009 designated the National Computer Center (NCC) to operate the Philippine Root CA (RootCA).
- 1.3 Section 15 of Republic Act No. 10844 abolished NCC and transferred its powers and functions, applicable funds and appropriations, records, equipment, property and personnel to the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT).
- 1.4 ICT Office Memorandum Circular No. 2013-001 approved the PNPKI Certificate Policy (CP) version 1.0 in operating the Philippine RootCA.

SECTION 2. PURPOSE

This Department Circular is being issued to amend the PNPKI Certificate Policy version 1.0 issued by the Information and Communications Technology Office (ICT Office) last 23 December 2013.

SECTION 3. COVERAGE

- 3.1 This Department Circular shall cover all Departments, Bureaus, Offices and Other Agencies of the National Government, including Constitutional Commissions, Congress, The Judiciary, Office of the Ombudsman, State Universities and Colleges, Government-Owned or -Controlled Corporations, Local Government Units.
- 3.2 The implementation of this Department Circular shall also cover private entities that will make use of the services of the Philippine RootCA.

SECTION 4. APPROVAL OF THE PNPKI CP

The attached PNPKI CP version 2.0 is hereby approved and to be implemented in operating the Philippine RootCA in compliance with Section 3(a) of E.O. No. 810, s2009.

SECTION 5. ADMINISTRATION OF THE PNPKI CP

The administration and updating of the PNPKI CP shall be the responsibility of the PNPKI Team under the DICT.

SECTION 6. REPEALING CLAUSE

All other Circulars and Issuances or parts thereof that are inconsistent with this Department Circular are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

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SECTION 7. EFFECTIVITY

This Department Circular shall take effect immediately upon filing three (3) certified true copies with the Office of the National Administrative Register, University of the Philippines Law Center and publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

APPROVED.



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