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June 22, 2020

**Atty. ALI PANGALIAN BALINDONG**  
 Speaker of Parliament  
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Dear **Speaker Balindong**:

*Assalamu alaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh.*

It is my honor to transmit to the Honorable Bangsamoro Transition Authority (BTA) Parliament the **Cabinet Bill** entitled: **"AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE BANGSAMORO BUDGET SYSTEM, CREATING THE BANGSAMORO BUDGET OFFICE IN THE BARM, DEFINING ITS POWERS, FUNCTIONS, AND RESPONSIBILITIES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER RELEVANT PURPOSES"**.

This important measure is an **urgent bill** from the Government of the Day.  
 For your honor's consideration and appropriate action.

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**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL**

For the Bangsamoro,

**AHOD B. EBRAHIM**  
 Chief Minister

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*Be it enacted by the Parliament of the Bangsamoro Transition Authority assembled:*

**ESTABLISHMENT AND ORGANIZATION**

- Section 1. *Short title.* - This Act shall be known as "The Bangsamoro Budgeting Act."
- Section 2. *Bangsamoro Budget Office.* - There is hereby created a Bangsamoro Budget Office under the control and supervision of the Ministry of Finance, and Budget and Management (MFBM).
- Section 3. *Officers and employees of the Bangsamoro Budget Office.* - The Bangsamoro Budget Office shall be under the direction of a Director III who shall be appointed by the Chief Minister upon the recommendation of the Minister, and whose qualifications shall be in conformity with the prescribed Civil Service standards therefor.

To carry into effect the provisions of this Act, there shall also be in said office such other officers and employees as may be appointed by the Minister of Finance, and Budget and Management, subject to existing laws and rules on the power to appoint.

- Section 4. *Mandate.* - The BBO under the MFBM is primarily mandated to promote the sound, efficient and effective management and utilization of all resources of the Bangsamoro Government as instrument in the achievement of its socioeconomic and political development goals aligned with the national development goals



Section 5. *Powers and Functions of the Office.* – The powers and functions of the Bangsamoro Budget Office are as follows:

- a) Formulate the annual regional budget in a way that ensures the appropriate prioritization and allocation of funds to support the annual program of the Bangsamoro government.
- b) Define the form, content, and manner of preparation of the Bangsamoro budget, consistent with existing laws, rules and regulations of the National Government;
- c) Formulate the overall resource application strategy to match the government's macro-economic policy;
- d) Prepare the medium-term expenditure plan, indicating the programming, prioritization, and financing of capital investment and current operating expenditure requirements of medium-term sectoral development plans;
- e) Undertake the formulation of the annual Bangsamoro budget in a way that ensures the appropriate prioritization and allocation of funds to support the annual program of government;
- f) Develop and administer an accounting system essential to fiscal management and control;
- g) Conduct a continuing study and assessment of the bureaucracy as well as make policy recommendations on its role, size, composition, structure and functions to establish a government bureaucracy imbued with a spirit of public service;
- h) Establish the rules and procedures for the management of government organization resources i.e., physical, manpower and other resources, formulates standards of organizational program performance; and undertakes or provides services in work simplification or streamlining of systems and procedures to improve efficiency and effectiveness in government operations;
- i) Conceptualize and administer the government's compensation and position classification plan;
- j) Monitor and assess the physical as well as the financial operations of existing and to be created Government-Owned and/or Controlled Corporations within the Bangsamoro region.



- k) Require every ministry or office of the Bangsamoro Government to furnish the Bangsamoro Budget Office such necessary information as the Ministry may require from time to time and shall, for the purpose of securing such information, have access to, and the right to examine, any books, documents, papers, or records of any such ministry or agency;
- l) Formulate and implement an effective monitoring and evaluation system;
- m) Develop performance measures and benchmarks to evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness of government programs;
- n) Develop programs and issue regulations for the improved gathering, compiling, analysis, publication, and dissemination of relevant and necessary statistical information for any purpose by the ministries and offices. Such regulations shall be adhered to by said ministries and offices; and
- o) Perform such other powers and functions as may be assigned by the Minister, or the Chief Minister through the Minister of Finance, and Budget and Management.

Section 6. *Duties and functions of the Bangsamoro Budget Office Director.*  
The Bangsamoro Budget Director shall:

- a) Assist the Minister in overseeing that the Office exercises and discharges its mandate, powers and functions;
- b) Assist in the establishment of policies and standards for the operation of the Office pursuant to the approved programs of the government;
- c) Assist in the promulgation of rules and regulations necessary to carry out Office functions, policies, plans, programs and projects; and
- d) Perform such other functions as may be assigned by the Minister.

Section 7. *Appropriations.* The initial amount of Thirty Million Pesos (Php30,000,000.00) for Personal Services and Twenty Million Pesos (Php 20,000,000.00) for the initial operational cost of the BBO shall be sourced from the Miscellaneous Personnel Benefits Fund (MPBF) and the Contingent Fund, as appropriated, subject to existing rules and regulations. Additional funding for Personal Services and Capital Outlay may be requested from the MPBF and Contingent



Fund. Subsequent funding requirements shall be included in the Bangsamoro Appropriations Act.

- Section 8. *Consultations and Intergovernmental Dispute Resolution.* – Intergovernmental Relations Body mechanisms under the Organic Law shall be utilized to resolve post transition issues affecting fiscal policies.

#### FINAL PROVISIONS

- Section 9. *Separability Clause.* - If any provision is held invalid, the other provisions not affected thereby shall continue in operation.
- Section 10. *Effectivity Clause.* - This Act shall take effect immediately following its complete publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation in the Bangsamoro Autonomous region.

**APPROVED.**

**ATTY. ALI PANGALIAN M. BALINDONG**  
Speaker

This Act was passed by the Bangsamoro Parliament on \_\_\_\_\_.

**PROF. RABY B. ANGKAL**  
Secretary-General

**APPROVED:**

**AHOD BALAWAG EBRAHIM**  
Chief Minister

Date: \_\_\_\_\_