

TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE JOINT NORMALIZATION COMMITTEE

I. REFERENCES

- 1. The Framework Agreement on the Bangsamoro signed by the Parties on October 15, 2012.**
- 2. The Annex on Normalization signed by the Parties on January 25, 2014.**

II. MANDATE

The Joint Normalization Committee (JNC) shall undertake the primary function of coordinating the process of normalization. Its objective is to establish a functional system and effective mechanisms for coordinating all components of the normalization process.

III. COMPOSITION

The JNC shall be created by the GPH and the MILF Negotiating Panels. It shall be composed of six (6) members. It shall be co-chaired by designated representatives of the GPH and the MILF, respectively. Both Panels will designate two (2) representatives each to sit as members.

IV. ORGANIZATION

- 1. The JNC shall organize a secretariat and support staff commensurate to its technical, operational and administrative requirements. The JNC may promulgate its own internal rules of operation consistent with this Terms of Reference (TOR).**
- 2. JNC personnel shall be covered by the Agreement on the General Cessation of Hostilities dated July 18, 1997 and its Implementing Operational Guidelines.**
- 3. The JNC shall have its primary office in Cotabato City. It may establish field offices in strategic locations in Mindanao to effectively carry out its functions.**

