

XXXIV. OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN

For general administration and support, and operations, including locally-funded project, as indicated hereunder....P 2,221,859,000

New Appropriations, by Program/Projects

PROGRAMS	Current Operating Expenditures			
	Personnel Services	Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses	Capital Outlays	Total
General Administration and Support	P 1,165,971,000	P 222,545,000	P 16,122,000	P 1,404,638,000
Operations	646,138,000	171,083,000		817,221,000
MFO 1: CORRUPTION DETERRENCE SERVICES	646,138,000	171,083,000		817,221,000
Total, Programs	1,812,109,000	393,628,000	16,122,000	2,221,859,000
TOTAL NEW APPROPRIATIONS	P 1,812,109,000	P 393,628,000	P 16,122,000	P 2,221,859,000

Special Provision(s)

1. Organizational Structure. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary and within the limits of appropriations in this Act, the Ombudsman is hereby authorized to:

- (a) formulate and implement Office of the Ombudsman's organizational structure;
- (b) fix and determine the salaries, allowances and other benefits of the Office of the Ombudsman personnel in accordance with the rates and levels authorized under R.A. No. 6758, as amended and R.A. No. 6686, as amended; and
- (c) create new positions, transfer an item or make other adjustments in Personnel Services itemization, whenever public interest so requires.

Implementation of the foregoing shall be subject to: (i) submission of a request with proper documentation to the DBM; (ii) compliance with organization, staffing and position classification, and compensation standards; (iii) scrap and build policy; and (iv) sourcing of payment for retirement or separation benefits of affected personnel from any unexpended balance in the appropriations of the Office of the Ombudsman.

2. Non-Recurring Expenses. All non-recurring appropriations authorized herein such as, but not limited to, foreign-assisted projects and locally-funded projects, shall not form part of the Office of Ombudsman's appropriations that may not be reduced by Congress under Section 38 of R.A. No. 6770.

3. Use of Savings. The Ombudsman is authorized to use savings from the appropriations of the Office of the Ombudsman to augment actual deficiencies from any item of its appropriations for the current year, which may include the following purposes: (i) printing and/or publication of decisions, resolutions, and training information materials; (ii) repair, maintenance and improvement of Central and Regional offices, facilities and equipment; (iii) purchase of equipment, books, journals and periodicals; (iv) necessary expenses for the employment of temporary, contractual and casual employees; and (v) payment of extraordinary and miscellaneous expenses, representation and transportation and allowances, and other authorized benefits of its officials and employees, subject to pertinent budgeting, accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

4. Use of Income. The Office of the Ombudsman may use the income generated from fees collected by it, subject to the conditions under pertinent sections in the General Provisions of this Act and for purposes as may be specifically authorized therein or by applicable provisions of law.

5. Authority to Hire Consultants. The Office of the Ombudsman is hereby authorized to hire lawyer-consultants to assist in the investigation of cases and in the prosecution of cases before the Sandiganbayan and Regular Courts, subject to the extent of engagement as may be explicitly authorized by the Ombudsman, chargeable against the released allotment for the purpose and/or savings from released appropriations: PROVIDED, That the foregoing shall no longer require written conformity from the Office of the Solicitor General and consent from the Commission on Audit (COA) as provided in COA Circular No. 95-011 dated December 4, 1995.

(CONDITIONAL IMPLEMENTATION- President's Veto Message, December 22, 2016, Volume I-B, pages662-663, R.A. No. 10924)

6. Appropriations for Programs and Specific Activities. The amounts appropriated herein for the programs of the agency shall be used specifically for the following activities in the indicated amounts and conditions:

New Appropriations, by Programs/Activities/Projects

	Personnel Services	Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses	Capital Outlays	Total
<b>PROGRAMS</b>				
<b>General Administration and Support</b>				
General Management and Supervision	P 266,565,000	P 222,177,000	P 16,122,000	P 504,864,000
Operation and Maintenance of Computerized Management Information System	9,522,000	368,000		9,890,000
Statistical Services	3,932,000			3,932,000
Administration of Personnel Benefits	885,952,000			885,952,000
<b>Sub-total, General Administration and Support</b>	<b>1,165,971,000</b>	<b>222,545,000</b>	<b>16,122,000</b>	<b>1,404,638,000</b>
<b>Operations</b>				
<b>NFO 1: CORRUPTION DETERRENCE SERVICES</b>	<b>646,138,000</b>	<b>171,083,000</b>		<b>817,221,000</b>
General Investigation and Fact-Finding Activities on Complaints Filed	325,610,000	116,251,000		441,861,000
Adjudication on Administrative Cases Filed Directly with, or those Initiated by the Ombudsman	87,137,000	147,000		87,284,000
Prosecution of Complaints/Cases	133,520,000	37,020,000		170,540,000
Prosecution of cases, including filing of the appropriate criminal and civil cases before the Sandiganbayan and regular trial courts	126,411,000	36,673,000		163,084,000
Assessment of criminal and/or civil cases that requires reinvestigation	3,262,000	174,000		3,436,000
Handling of appealed or special cases filed before the Sandiganbayan, Court of Appeals and the Supreme Court	3,847,000	173,000		4,020,000
Public Assistance/Relations and Corruption Prevention	99,871,000	17,665,000		117,536,000
Development and implementation of the Public Assistance Program	54,256,000	5,513,000		59,769,000
Development and implementation of plans and programs to promote and enhance community involvement in the campaign against graft and corruption	9,660,000	10,533,000		20,193,000

Development and implementation of the "Close Watch Program" (Resident Ombudsman Program) to monitor and prevent incidents of graft and corruption and systematic inefficiencies in graft-prone agencies	21,067,000	188,000	21,255,000
Conduct of continuing research and studies to determine the causes of inefficiency, red tape, corruption, mismanagement, fraud in government and recommend corrective measures	14,888,000	1,431,000	16,319,000
Sub-total, Operations	646,138,000	171,083,000	817,221,000
Total Programs and Activities	1,812,109,000	393,628,000	2,221,859,000
TOTAL NEW APPROPRIATIONS	P 1,812,109,000 P	393,628,000 P	16,122,000 P 2,221,859,000

New Appropriations, by Object of Expenditures  
(In Thousand Pesos)

A. Programs/Locally-Funded Project(s)

Current Operating Expenditures

Personnel Services

Civilian Personnel

Permanent Positions

Basic Salary	652,919
Total Permanent Positions	652,919

Other Compensation Common to All

Personnel Economic Relief Allowance	28,248
Representation Allowance	39,540
Transportation Allowance	39,540
Clothing and Uniform Allowance	5,885
Honoraria	6,038
Mid-Year Bonus - Civilian	54,409
Year End Bonus	54,409
Cash Gift	5,885
Step Increment	3,365
Productivity Enhancement Incentive	5,885
Total Other Compensation Common to All	243,204

Other Compensation for Specific Groups

Magna Carta for Public Health Workers	334
Lump-sum for filling of Positions	879,026
Total Other Compensation for Specific Groups	879,360

<b>Other Benefits</b>	
PAG-IBIG Contributions	1,411
PhilHealth Contributions	3,801
Employees Compensation Insurance Premiums	1,411
Terminal Leave	5,192
<b>Total Other Benefits</b>	<b>11,815</b>
<b>Other Personnel Benefits</b>	
Pension, Civilian Personnel	24,811
<b>Total Other Personnel Benefits</b>	<b>24,811</b>
<b>Total Personnel Services</b>	<b>1,812,109</b>
<b>Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses</b>	
Travelling Expenses	62,349
Training and Scholarship Expenses	50,330
Supplies and Materials Expenses	54,411
Utility Expenses	60,603
Communication Expenses	16,424
Confidential, Intelligence and Extraordinary Expenses	
Confidential Expenses	20,000
Extraordinary and Miscellaneous Expenses	14,505
Professional Services	11,523
General Services	75,073
Repairs and Maintenance	4,694
Taxes, Insurance Premiums and Other Fees	2,086
Other Maintenance and Operating Expenses	
Advertising Expenses	2,465
Printing and Publication Expenses	1,332
Representation Expenses	2,062
Transportation and Delivery Expenses	2,454
Rent/Lease Expenses	12,549
Subscription Expenses	768
<b>Total Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses</b>	<b>393,628</b>
<b>Total Current Operating Expenditures</b>	<b>2,205,737</b>
<b>Capital Outlays</b>	
Property, Plant and Equipment Outlay	
Land Outlay	16,122
<b>Total Capital Outlays</b>	<b>16,122</b>
<b>Total Programs/Locally-Funded Project(s)</b>	<b>2,221,859</b>
<b>TOTAL NEW APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>2,221,859</b>

GENERAL SUMMARY  
OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN

Current Operating Expenditures

	<u>Personnel Services</u>	<u>Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Capital Outlays</u>	<u>Total</u>
A. OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN	P 1,812,109,000	P 393,628,000	P 16,122,000	P 2,221,859,000
TOTAL NEW APPROPRIATIONS, OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN	P 1,812,109,000	P 393,628,000	P 16,122,000	P 2,221,859,000