



## Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

**Benigno R. Fitial**  
Governor

**Eloy S. Inos**  
Lieutenant Governor

### **EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2010-07**

**SUBJECT:** Relative to designating the Criminal Justice Planning Agency as the State Compliance Monitoring Authority for the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act

**AUTHORITY:** Executive Order 16 dated March 28, 1980 (amending Executive Order No. 6, dated July 10, 1978) and Public Law 111-47 (repealing Executive Order 94-3 §303 (a))

**WHEREAS,** The Governor of the CNMI, through his designee, annually accepts federal funds through the US Department of Justice under the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 2002.

**WHEREAS,** the goals of the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) are to help state and local governments prevent and control juvenile delinquency and to improve the juvenile justice system.

**WHEREAS,** with the reauthorization of the Act in 2002, a second important goal was to protect juveniles in the juvenile justice system from inappropriate placements and from the harm both psychological and physical, that can occur as a result of exposure to adult inmates.

**WHEREAS,** states and territories participating in the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 2002 are required to develop and implement a strategy for achieving and maintaining compliance with the Core Protection Requirements.

**WHEREAS,** the CNMI receives Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act Formula Grant funds annually, dependent on compliance with the core protections of the JJDP Act, of Section 223 (a)(11)(A) Deinstitutionalization of Status Offenders (DSO); Section 223 (a) (12) Sight and Sound Separation of Juveniles from Incarcerated Adults; Section 223 (a)(13) Removal of Juveniles from Adult jails and Lockups (Jail Removal); Section 223 (a)(14) Compliance Monitoring and Section 223 (a)(22) Disproportionate Minority Contact.

**WHEREAS**, the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) requires that states and territories participating in the JJDP Act have an adequate compliance monitoring system that includes: (1) Identification of the Monitoring System, (2) Classification of facilities, (3) Inspection of facilities and (4) Data Collection and Data Verification.

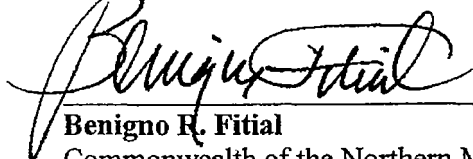
**WHEREAS**, the Criminal Justice Planning Agency is the state agency to administer Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act grants, and is required to monitor compliance with the Core Protection Requirements of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 2002.

**WHEREAS**, the Criminal Justice Planning Agency is the designated state agency responsible for establishing, developing, and implementing a strategy for achieving, maintaining, and monitoring jails, detention facilities, correctional facilities, and non-secure facilities, which might hold juveniles pursuant to public authority and regardless of the purpose of housing juveniles, to ensure compliance with the Core Protection Requirements of the Act.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Benigno R. Fitial**, Governor of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth, do hereby order:

1. The Criminal Justice Planning Agency as the designated as the State Planning Agency for the Territory of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands empowered to administer Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act funds with full administrative and comprehensive oversight authority for compliance with the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 2002.
2. The Criminal Justice Planning Agency as the agency authorized to develop and enforce, pursuant to local statutes, standards for all secure facilities that might hold juveniles pursuant to public law, to (1) inspect the facilities for classification purposes and compliance with the Act, (2) review juvenile records to collect data at selected intervals during the year, (3) to cite facilities for violations of the standards, and (4) to enforce sanctions when violations are not corrected.
3. The Criminal Justice Planning Agency's designated Compliance Monitor(s) to be permitted to review records containing detention information with the verbal agreement that monitor(s) will respect the confidential nature of the information and will not knowingly record or divulge information which might identify a specific child except as may be required to protect the child.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of JUNE, 2010



**Benigno R. Fitial**  
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