

Republic of the Philippines
Department of the Interior and Local Government
NATIONAL POLICE COMMISSION
Makati, Metro Manila 1200

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 94-017

ADOPTING A UNIFORM CRITERIA IN DETERMINING WHEN A CRIME
IS CONSIDERED SOLVED


WHEREAS, it has been noted from the Program Review and Analysis (PRA) of PNP regional commands that different police units used varied criteria or approaches in determining when a crime is considered solved for crime reporting purposes;


WHEREAS, it is necessary to adopt a uniform criteria in determining crime solution rate to insure preparation of accurate and reliable crime reports; and

NOW, THEREFORE, premises considered, it is hereby directed that for crime-reporting purposes:

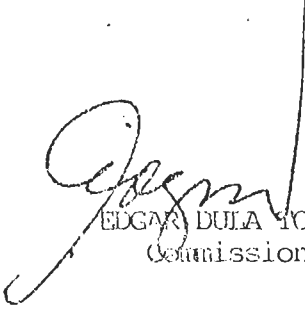
1. A case shall be considered solved when the following elements concur:
 - a) the offender has been identified;
 - b) there is sufficient evidence to charge him;
 - c) the offender has actually been taken into custody; and
 - d) the offender has actually been charged before the prosecutor's office or court of appropriate jurisdiction.
2. A case shall also be considered solved when some elements beyond police control prevents the arrest of the offender, such as when the victim refuses to prosecute after the offender is identified or the offender dies or absconds.
3. The arrest of one offender can solve several crimes or several offenders may be arrested in the process of solving one crime.

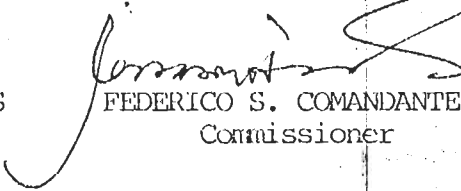
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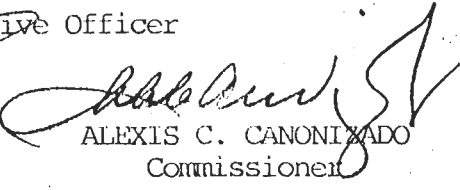

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