EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 97-29
RELATIVE TO MANDATING THAT ALL AGENCIES AND DEPARTMENTS OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH COMPLY WITH EXECUTIVE ORDER NOS. 96-13 AND 96-38, AND TO REAFFIRM THE LEAD ROLE OF THE BUREAU OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (BIT) IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GOVERNMENT-WIDE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PLAN.

WHEREAS, the creation of the Bureau of Information Technology (BIT) under the Guam Finance Commission (GFC) by Executive Order No. 96-13 is intended to ensure that the Information Technology (IT) decisions are made consistently and in the best interests of the government of Guam; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 96-38 designated the BIT as the lead agency for the implementation of the government-wide IT plan, and directed that no purchase orders shall be used for substantive IT development work, and that all purchase orders and contracts for IT procurement shall be coordinated by, and have the prior approval of, the BIT; and

WHEREAS, the government of Guam's Internet/Intranet, Home Page and Network services must now be developed, managed, and coordinated; and

WHEREAS, the contract for the implementation of the new Financial Management System (FMS) for the government of Guam by the GFC includes a complete re-development of the Internet/Intranet services to allow for greater public participation and more open government;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CARL T. C. GUTIERREZ, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, and the laws of Guam, do order:

1. That the BIT, through the GFC, is the lead agency in overseeing the implementation of the new FMS, and full information and total cooperation shall be provided by all executive branch departments and autonomous agencies to assist the BIT, the project team, and the contractor in the implementation of the new FMS and in achieving the government's objectives.

2. That the BIT, through the GFC, shall be responsible for overseeing the development, management and coordination of the government's Wide Area Networks, electronic mail, and Internet/Intranet services, including access to, and publishing on, the Internet/Intranet and coordinating the same with other entities of the government. Full disclosure of relevant technical information and total cooperation shall be provided by all executive branch departments and autonomous agencies to assist the BIT in its lead role in developing, managing and coordinating the Internet/Intranet, Home Page, and Network services provided by the government.
3. That all Requisitions, Purchase Orders (PO's), Invitations For Bid (IFB’s), Requests For Proposals (RFP's), contracts for IT procurement, and IT-related Memoranda of Understanding (MOU’s) by and between executive branch departments, autonomous agencies, or private companies shall be coordinated by, and must have the prior approval of, the BIT.

4. This Executive Order supersedes all other executive orders that are inconsistent with the provisions contained herein, and supplements the provisions contained in Executive Order Nos. 96-13 and 96-38.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Agaña, Guam this 23rd day of October, 1997.

CARL T. C. GUTIERREZ
Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO
Lieutenant Governor of Guam