



Office of the Governor of Guam

MEMORANDUM

April 12, 2011

TO: Chief Fiscal Advisor
Chief Legal Counsel
Chief Education Advisor
Chief Health Advisor
Director, Department of Administration
Governor's Deputy Press Secretary
Public Safety Advisor

FROM:

Chief of Staff

SUBJECT: **Crisis Management Team**

Crises management is critical in the government we are leading. It is inevitable that this cash-strapped organization will endure fiscal crises. These could precipitate crises affecting the education, health and safety of the people, or present imminent environmental or legal challenges.

The government must function accordingly. Normal operations never should fall behind because of crisis management. Neither should the Governor's aggressive schedule to implement the tenets of Blueprint 2020. We must manage the daily situations that arise along with our plans to improve services and sustain economic growth. To these ends, I am appointing you to the Governor's Crisis Management Team.

You will have the authority, during times of crisis, to gather and, through consensus, direct the resources of the government to deal with any given crisis. The Governor's Chief Fiscal Advisor, in consultation with either the Governor or myself, will make final determinations.

Crises include:

1. Financial matters gravely affecting payroll, the ability to make required payments, jeopardy of grants.
2. Education, health and safety emergencies involving the health and safety of students, hospital patients, ambulance and medic shortages, hospital supplies and equipment shortages, dangerous road conditions.
3. Environmental emergencies involving major flooding, erosion, fire at the Ordot dump, forest fires, freshwater supply and ocean contamination.
4. Legal emergencies involving court orders, imminent potential for non-compliance, implications of corruption and wrongdoing throughout the government, suits brought against the government.

This arrangement will relieve the burden of crisis management from the Governor and from my office. When a crisis arises, you will take care of it while the other resources of the senior staff are focused on their anticipated work.

Thank you.