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**MEMORANDUM**

FOR : Acting Director, PNPA

FROM : Undersigned Cadet

SUBJECT : **Reflection Paper re: HUMAN RIGHTS, INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATION, BILL OF RIGHTS and LOCAL LAWS**

DATE : December 7, 2022

1. Reference: Verbal Instruction of the Acting Director, PNPA on November 14, 2022
2. This pertains to the instruction of the Acting Director, PNPA to ﻿write a one (1) page reflection on Human Rights, International obligation, Bill of rights and Local Laws by PBGEN JOAQUIN R ALVA, Deputy Director, PNPA on December 7, 2022 at the PNPA Heroes Hall.
3. In connection, respectfully submits the attached reflection paper composed by the undersigned cadet.

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REFLECTION PAPER

Human Rights, International Obligation, Bill of Rights and Local Laws

*PBGEN JOAQUIN R ALVA*

*Deputy Director, PNPA*

*December 7, 2022*

The subject of today's speaker, PNPA PBGEN Deputy Director Joaquin Alva, is local legislation, the Bill of Rights, and human rights. He embodies the idea that all people have inherent rights, regardless of their race, gender, nationality, place of residence, sexual orientation, religion, language, or any other status. Without exception, each of us has an equal claim to our human rights. These rights are all interdependent, indivisible, and related to one another.

From conception to death, every human being has the right to a certain set of fundamental liberties and rights. No matter who you are, what you believe, or how you live your life, they are true. They are periodically subject to restrictions, such as when someone disobeys the law or for reasons of national security, but they are never completely removed. These essential rights are based on values that are shared by all people, such as autonomy, justice, equality, respect, and dignity. Legislation outlines and protects these ideals.

Everyone is worthy of respect and value. Respecting and recognizing each person's human rights is one way we demonstrate our understanding of their inherent worth. Police officers should be aware of and knowledgeable about society's rights. The reason for this is that law enforcement officials need to be able to understand, uphold, and defend the human rights of every person with whom they come into contact or who is under their charge, custody, or care.

Our responsibility to understand these rights as aspiring public servants. In any situation where our obligations are questioned, defending ourselves is advantageous not only to others around us but also to ourselves. Our primary duty is to provide accurate and useful legal advice on human rights to non-governmental organizations (NGOs) or victims of human rights violations.