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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 09 - 1995

**ESTABLISHMENT OF AN AMERICAN SAMOA
DISASTER RECOVERY OFFICE (ASDRO)**

SECTION 1: AUTHORITY

This Executive Order is issued under the authority granted in Article IV, Section 6, American Samoa Revised Constitution and Title 4, Chapter 01, Section 0111 (b), American Samoa Code Annotated (ASCA).

SECTION 2: ESTABLISHMENT

An American Samoa Disaster Recovery Office (ASDRO) is hereby established. The Office will be under the management of a Disaster Recovery Coordinating Committee headed by the Governor's Authorized Representative (GAR). The committee shall comprise of the Special Assistant to the Governor for Economic Development and Business Affairs who is the GAR, ASPA Executive Director as an Alternate GAR, Treasurer, ASDRO Manager, and Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety.

SECTION 3: PURPOSE

The purpose of this order is to create a disaster recovery coordinating committee to continue to administer and be responsible for the remaining aspects of the response and all disaster recovery programs of Hurricanes Tusi, Ofa and Val as declared by the President of the United States. The Office shall be located at the Pago Plaza.

In conjunction with this Order, the Territorial Emergency Management Coordinating Office (TEMCO), under the direct supervision of the Deputy Commissioner of Public Safety and pursuant to ASG General Memorandum No. 65-1993, shall provide such technical assistance, program coordination and support to the ASDRO as the GAR may require, in addition to other functions prescribed by 26.0106 ASCA.

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Pursuant to Section 26.0105(g) (1) American Samoa Code Annotated, the provisions of Chapter 01 of Title 26 of the Code and any other applicable laws or rules of American Samoa conflicting with this Executive Order are hereby suspended until the completion of all recovery programs of the aforementioned disasters, unless this Executive Order is modified or terminated.

To review, modify and implement disaster programs in conjunction with the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed between American Samoa Government and FEMA on December 13, 1994.

To coordinate disaster programs with American Samoa Government agencies and non-profit organizations as they relate to procurement laws and activities relating to response and recovery agencies and the federal government.

The ASDRO Coordinating Committee, under the direction of the GAR, is authorized to appoint additional personnel should they be needed to carry out the functions of the response and recovery programs.

SECTION 4: DURATION

This Order will be rescinded upon the completion of all recovery programs and the close out of all the prescribed activities of said disasters. Henceforth, the American Samoa Government will adhere to the established and approved Territorial Emergency Plan and ASCA Title 26 Chapter 01.

SECTION 5: EFFECTIVE DATE

This Order is effective immediately.

Dated: 4/5/95


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Governor

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