

Office of the Attorney General

Washington, D.C.

ORDER NO. 2779-2005

AUTHORIZING THE DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL TO TAKE CERTAIN ACTIONS RELATED TO HURRICANE KATRINA

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Attorney General by law, including 28 U.S.C. §§ 509, 510, 564, and 566, and 42 U.S.C. § 10501, I hereby direct the Deputy Attorney General, during and in relation to the law enforcement emergency described by the Governor of Louisiana in her request of September 3, 2005, received today, to take all necessary and appropriate steps within available resources to provide the assistance so requested by the Governor.

Department of Justice law enforcement personnel who are engaged in this mission shall have the authority to enforce the laws of the United States and to assist law enforcement officials in the State of Louisiana to enforce the laws of that State. All such officers engaged in this mission shall coordinate with their state and local counterparts to make appropriate arrangements as necessary to ensure the most effective law enforcement assistance efforts in the State of Louisiana. In addition, all such officers shall be subject to the supervision of the United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Louisiana, who may delegate operational authority to appropriate Department of Justice officials. The assistance provided pursuant to this order shall continue for 30 days unless extended by the Attorney General.

Sept 4, 2005

Alberto R. Gonzales Attorney General

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