

Republic of the Philippines  
Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao  
**REGIONAL ASSEMBLY**  
Cotabato City

**FIFTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**  
(Third Regular Session)

**[MUSLIM MINDANAO AUTONOMY ACT NO. 225]**

Begun and held in Cotabato City, on Monday, the nineteenth day of November, two thousand and seven.

**AN ACT CREATING THE MUNICIPALITY OF SHARIFF SAYDONA MUSTAPHA IN THE PROVINCE OF MAGUINDANAO, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

Be it enacted by the Regional Assembly in session assembled:

Section 1. Barangays Dilembong, Nabundas, Datu Kilay and Datu Bakal in the Municipality of Shariff Aguak, barangays Pagatin, Pusao, Linantangan, part of Libutan (Libutan East) and part of Duguengen (Duguengen I) in the Municipality of Mamasapano, and barangays Pamalian and Pikeg in the municipality of Datu Unsay, all in the province of Maguindanao, are hereby separated from their respective municipalities, constituted and created into distinct and independent municipality of Shariff Saydona Mustapha.

The seat of government shall be Barangay Nabundas which shall likewise be known hereinafter as the “poblacion”.

Sec. 2. – The land area of this municipality shall be bounded as follows:

	<b>LINE</b>		<b>BEARING</b>			<b>DISTANCE</b>	
TP	1	N	52	32	E	16,652.15	
	1	2	N	77	11	E	1,445.81
	2	3	S	57	51	E	4,202.22
	3	4	N	47	44	E	1,908.81
	4	5	S	52	33	E	2,364.09
	5	6	S	42	23	W	2,151.01
	6	7	S	18	39	E	5,324.19
	7	8	S	39	13	W	1,125.52
	8	9	S	42	10	E	1,522.66
	9	10	S	38	58	E	1,974.39
	10	11	N	80	48	E	1,571.75

11	12	S	24	27	E	2,715.07
12	13	S	13	52	W	1719.29
13	14	S	71	25	W	2,399.01
14	15	N	83	31	W	4,996.88
15	16	N	35	23	W	3,788.44
16	17	N	83	31	W	4,266.85
17	18	N	33	4	W	1,755.47
18	19	N	36	33	W	1,518.36
19	20	S	82	28	W	2,606.64
20	21	N	32	46	W	3,301.94
21	22	N	84	49	E	5,560.05
22	23	N	44	2	W	2,224.74
23	24	N	45	29	E	1,380.85
24	25	N	58	47	W	4,241.73
25	26	S	1	20	W	695.16
26	27	N	89	21	W	2,311.35
27	28	S	1	45	E	1,215.02
28	29	S	0	20	W	877.42
29	30	N	89	32	W	3,820.04
30	1	N	38	22	E	6,270.74

Sec. 3. – This municipality is a corporate entity with jurisdiction in all matters provided by the ARMM Local Government Code and other pertinent laws.

Sec. 4. – The corporate existence of this municipality shall commence upon the appointment or election of its first municipal mayor and majority of the members of its Sanggunian.

The elective and appointive officials of the municipality shall be those provided in the ARMM Local Government Code with R.A. 7160 as suppletory thereof.

Initially, the elective municipal officials shall be appointed by the Regional Governor, who shall hold and continue to be in office until their successors shall have been elected and qualified in the next regular election.

Sec. 5. – The Commission On Elections or COMELEC shall conduct and supervise the plebiscite in the affected areas within ninety (90) days upon the approval of this Act.

Sec. 6. – The creation of this municipality shall take effect when approved by a majority of the notes cast in the plebiscite for the purpose.

The government of the municipality of Mamasapano and province of Maguindanao shall provide funds for its operations.

Sec. 7. – Such expenses as may be necessary in the plebiscite shall be taken out of the funds that the municipal government of Shariff Aguak and provincial government of Maguindanao shall make available therefor.

Sec. 8. – This Act shall effect after its approval.

Approved.

**(SGD) PAISALIN P. TAGO**  
Speaker

This Act was passed by the Regional Assembly on April 15, 2008.

**(SGD) DATU MAMA M. AMPATUAN, Al Haj.**  
Secretary General

APPROVED:

**(SGD) DATU ZALDY UY AMPATUAN**  
Regional Governor  
Date signed: