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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 176

REQUIRING CERTAIN PUBLIC OFFICIALS TO SUBMIT TO THE DIVISION OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES ANSWERS TO ITS PERIODIC AND SPECIAL INQUIRIES REGARDING LOCAL AGRICULTURE IN ITS VARIOUS ASPECTS, ESPECIALLY IN CONNECTION WITH ECONOMIC SITUATIONS, FOOD SUPPLY, FOOD AND OTHER CROPS, AND LIVESTOCK AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS.

WHEREAS, the Division of Agricultural Economics of the Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources is charged with the duty, among other things, of being thoroughly informed always with respect to local agriculture, especially in connection with economic situations, food supply, food and other crops, and livestock and livestock products;

WHEREAS, it is absolutely necessary that the Division of Agricultural Economics has easy and rapid access to all reliable sources of information regarding the various aspects of local agriculture as hereinabove indicated; and

WHEREAS, reliable, timely and adequate information or data regarding agriculture and the rural people is essential in the national endeavor to improve and safeguard the well-being of the nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RAMON MAGSAYSAY, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order that:

1. The following public officials shall answer promptly periodic and special inquiries sent them by the Division of Agricultural Economics, Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources, regarding local agriculture in its various aspects, especially those concerning economic conditions, food supply, food and other crops, and livestock and livestock products:

- (1) Fieldmen of the Bureau of Agricultural Extension: District Agriculturists, City Agriculturists, Provincial Agriculturists, Municipal Agriculturists, Home Demonstrators and District 4-H Club Leaders.
- (2) Fieldmen of the Bureau of Animal Industry, Bureau of Plant Industry, Bureau of Soil Conservation, Bureau of Fisheries and Weather Bureau.

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- (3) Leading Municipal officials like the Municipal Mayor, Municipal Treasurer and agents of the Bureau of Internal Revenue.
- (4) The District Supervising teachers, head teachers of municipalities and barrios.
- (5) Provincial officials like the Provincial Governor and Provincial Treasurer.
- (6) Bureau of Commerce fieldmen: Commercial agents.
- (7) Leading officials of Philippine National Bank agencies and branch offices in the provinces and elsewhere.
- (8) Fieldmen of different government corporations or agencies having to do with the development of agricultural industries and with the processing and distribution of agricultural products.
- (9) Social workers under the Social Welfare Administration.

2. The foregoing public officials shall submit their answers to the Division of Agricultural Economics not later than one week after receipt of such inquiry using brief forms previously supplied them by the Division of Agricultural Economics.

3. All charges for communications in connection with these inquiries submitted by the above-named officials shall be chargeable against the Division of Agricultural Economics. In case wire communication is used, the Division of Agricultural Economics shall pay ₱0.20 per telegram transmitted within the Philippines, not exceeding 30 words. This shall apply also to communications transmitted by telegrams in connection with the administration of the Division of Agricultural Economics, with the collection of agricultural data and with the conduct of economic investigations.

Done in the City of Manila, this 26th day of January, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and fifty-six, and of the Independence of the Philippines, the tenth.

By the President:


FORTUNATO DE LEON
Acting Executive Secretary

