

# MALACAÑANG

## Manila

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 140

**REACTIVATING THE FACT-FINDING COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE THE ALLEGED ANOMALIES IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DUTCH RURAL DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, there have been allegations of anomalies in the disposition and implementation by the DAR of the Dutch Rural Development Assistance Program;

WHEREAS, in view thereof, Administrative Order No. 49 was issued on April 23, 1993 creating a Fact Finding Committee which had already submitted its report to the Office of the President;

WHEREAS, there are allegations of anomalies in the disposition of funds to the other DRDAP Projects, which were not previously investigated by the said Fact Finding Committee;

WHEREAS, there is a need to further determine the veracity of said allegations in order that the appropriate corrective measures be undertaken;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. The Fact Finding Committee created under Administrative Order No. 49 is hereby reactivated to be composed of the following:

Chairman : Atty. HECTOR D. SOLIMAN  
Assistant Secretary, DAR

Co-Chairman : Atty. Carlos de Leon,  
Senior State Prosecutor, DOJ

3 Members from the DAR and 2 Members from the DOJ

Sec. 2. The Fact-Finding Committee shall have the following powers and functions:

1. To investigate the alleged anomalies and determine all the facts and circumstances regarding the implementation of the 520 M. Dutch Rural Development Assistance Program;

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- 2. To exercise the powers of an investigating body under Section 33, Chapter 9, Book I of the Administrative Code of 1987, including the power to summon witnesses, administer oath, take testimony or evidence relevant to the investigation, and to issue compulsory processes to produce documents, books, records and such other matters, in the performance of its functions;
- 3. To establish a Secretariat for the technical and staff support of the Committee;

Sec. 3. All the Departments, bureaus, offices, agencies or instrumentalities including government owned or controlled corporations are hereby directed to extend such assistance and cooperation as the Committee may need in the discharge of its functions; and

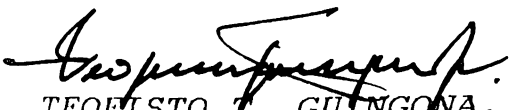
Sec. 4. The Committee shall submit their findings and recommendations to the President of the Republic of the Philippines within a period of Ninety (90) days from the date of the issuance of this Administrative Order.

This Order takes effect immediately and will continue the activities enunciated under the DAR-DOJ Fact Finding Committee on the Dutch Rural Development Assistance Program (DRDAP) created under Administrative Order No. 49, s. 1993.

Done in the City of Manila, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of August, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety four.

By the President:



  
 TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.  
 Executive Secretary