

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 214

CREATING AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO OVERSEE THE
BOT/BOO IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROPOSED
SILANGAN EXPRESS 2000 RAILWAY SYSTEM CONNECTING
METRO-MANILA AND QUEZON PROVINCE

WHEREAS, there are large tracts of public land in Quezon Province which are suitable as sites for low-cost housing as well as resettlement sites for Metro Manila squatters;

WHEREAS, an efficient railway system from this area to Metro Manila is necessary to catalyze the development of the area and make it practical and attractive as housing sites;

WHEREAS, the MARILAQUE Commission, the Department of Transportation and Communications, and the Department of Environment and Natural Resources have found the building of such a railway system feasible and have proposed the construction of the Silangan Express 2000 Railway System from Paco, Metro Manila, to Real, Quezon Province, subject to a detailed feasibility study;

WHEREAS, the early implementation of this project is crucial in relieving the critical housing shortage in Metro Manila and in alleviating its large squatter problem;

WHEREAS, there is a need for a dedicated body to oversee the implementation of this railway project to ensure its timely and effective implementation;

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

SECTION 1. Creation of an Executive Committee. An Executive Committee, hereinafter referred to as the "Committee", is hereby created to oversee the implementation of the proposed Silangan Express 2000 Railway System.

SEC. 2. Composition. The Committee shall be chaired by the Chairman of the MARILAQUE Commission and Co-chaired by the CORD for Region IV, with the following as members:

- a. Secretary - Department of Transportation and Communications;

- b. Secretary - Department of Environment and Natural Resources;
- c. Secretary - Department of the Interior and Local Government;
- d. Director General - National Economic and Development Development Authority;
- e. Head - Presidential Management Staff;
- f. Chairman - Philippine National Railways;
- g. Executive Director - Coordinating Council for the Philippine Assistance Program;
- h. Governor - Quezon Province; and
- i. Governor - Rizal Province.

SEC. 3. Functions. The Committee shall have the following duties and functions:

- a. oversee the preparation of a feasibility study of the proposed Silangan Express 2000 Railway System;
- b. determine the implementation scheme for the project either through Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT) Build-Own-Operate (BOO) scheme; and
- c. facilitate the resolution of issues and concerns affecting the timely and effective implementation of the railway project.

The Committee may create such sub-committees as may be necessary to ensure the efficient performance of its designated tasks.

Further, the Committee is authorized to call upon other agencies of the government to assist it in the discharge of its functions.

SEC. 4. Secretariat. The MARILAQUE Commission shall provide technical and administrative staff support to the Committee.

SEC. 5. Reporting. The Committee shall submit regular reports on its activities and status of the project to the Office of the President.

SEC. 6. Effectivity. This Administrative Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 30th day of August, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Five.



By the President:



RUBEN D. TORRES
Executive Secretary