

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 53

REVOKING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 305, S. 2000

WHEREAS, it is the declared policy of the State that the territorial and political subdivision of the State shall enjoy genuine and meaningful local autonomy to enable them to attain their fullest development as self-reliant communities and make them more effective partners in the attainment of national goals;

WHEREAS, the President exercises general supervision over local governments;

WHEREAS, in the exercise of the President's power of supervision over LGUs, former President Joseph Ejercito Estrada issued Executive Order No. 305 dated 21 October 2000 which directed the Department of Budget and Management to deduct from the respective CY 2000 IRA shares of all barangays the amount of P4,000.00 as amnesty settlement of unpaid membership dues to the National Liga ng mga Barangay and to directly remit the collected amount in lump sum to the Liga;

WHEREAS, EO 305 has effectively encroached on the fiscal autonomy of local governments to allocate their resources in accordance with their own priorities by directing the holdback of a certain portion of the IRA for specific purposes identified by the national government; and

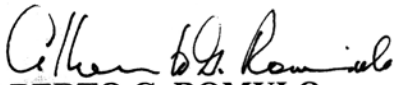
WHEREAS, there is a need to revoke EO 305 consistent with the declared policy of local autonomy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the revocation of Executive Order No. 305.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 7th day of November, in the year of Our Lord, two thousand and one.

By the President:


ALBERTO G. ROMULO
Executive Secretary




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