

MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 331

**CREATING AN INTER-AGENCY COMMITTEE TO RELOCATE SQUATTER FAMILIES  
AND CLEAR HAZARDOUS STRUCTURES ALONG THE ENTIRE STRETCH OF  
THE R-10 ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY**

**WHEREAS**, the 1994 census and tagging operation jointly conducted by the City of Manila and the National Housing Authority showed the existence of 5,276 squatter households and 1,627 structures on the R-10 road right-of-way;

**WHEREAS**, the R-10 road is a major transportation artery in Metro Manila and the continued presence of squatter families along said road poses serious danger to life and limb;

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to relocate said squatter families to ensure safer living conditions;

**WHEREAS**, there is a need for swift and coordinated action to immediately clear the R-10 road right-of-way and to prevent further proliferation along this road of hazardous structures;

**WHEREAS**, the creation of an Inter-Agency Committee for this purpose would facilitate the immediate relocation of the squatter families along the R-10 road right of way;

**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 Inter-Agency Committee to Relocate Squatter Families and Clear the R-10 Road of Hazardous Structures.*** There is hereby created an Inter-Agency Committee which is designated to immediately relocate all squatter families and clear all hazardous structures along the entire stretch of the R-10 road right-of-way.

**SEC. 2. *Composition.*** The Committee shall be chaired by the Cabinet Officer for Regional Development of the National Capital Region (CORD-NCR) and shall be composed of:

- a. The National Housing Authority
- b. The Department of Public Works and Highways
- c. The City of Manila
- d. The Department of Social Welfare and Development
- e. The Presidential Commission for the Urban Poor
- f. The Philippine National Police

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**SEC. 3. Tasks.** The Committee shall undertake the following tasks:

- a. Verify immediately the precise number of squatter families and structures occupying the entire stretch of the R-10 road;
- b. Identify relocation sites for the affected squatter families;
- c. Formulate a work plan for the speedy clearing of the R-10 road of all squatter families and structures;
- d. Clear the entire R-10 road right-of-way of all squatters and structures as soon as possible;
- e. Submit progress reports and a final report on its work to the President, copy furnished the Executive Secretary; and
- f. Perform such other functions and responsibilities as the President may direct.

**SEC. 4. Effectivity.** This Memorandum Order shall take effect immediately.

**DONE** in the City of Manila, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of January in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Six.



By the President:



**ROBEN D. TORRES**  
Executive Secretary

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