

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 1397

DECLARING FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2007 AS A REGULAR HOLIDAY
THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY IN OBSERVANCE OF EID' L FITR
(FEAST OF RAMADHAN)

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9177 declared *Eid' l Fitr* (Feast of Ramadhan) as a regular holiday throughout the country;

WHEREAS, *Eid' l Fitr* is celebrated by the Muslim World for three (3) days after the end of the month of fasting;

WHEREAS, the implementation of RA 9177 shall be under the supervision of the Office on Muslim Affairs (OMA) which shall promulgate rules and regulations pursuant to the provisions of said Act;

WHEREAS, for this year, the month of Ramadhan may culminate either on October 12 or 13, 2007 subject to the sighting of the new moon on October 11, 2007;

WHEREAS, according to OMA, the main date for the celebration of *Eid' l Fitr* this year has been determined to fall on Friday, October 12, 2007;

WHEREAS, in order to bring the religious and cultural significance of the *Eid' l Fitr* to the fore of national consciousness, it is necessary to declare Friday, October 12, 2007 as regular holiday throughout the country;

NOW THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare Friday, October 12, 2007 as a regular holiday throughout the country.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

Done in the City of Manila this 12th day of October in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Seven.



By the President:



EDUARDO R. ERMITA
Executive Secretary

