Republic of the Philippines
REGIONAL REGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao
Cotabato City

SECOND LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY (SECOND REGULAR SESSION)

Begun and held in Cotabato City, the twenty-fifth day of April, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Four.

- 000 -

## [ MUSLIM MINDANAO AUTONOMY ACT NO. 30 ]

"AN ACT MAKING AGRICULTURAL LAND WITHIN THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO AVAILABLE FOR DEVELOPMENT AS EXPORT FRUIT PLANTATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Be it enacted by the Regional Legislative Assembly in session assembled:

SECTION 1. Title. - This Act shall be known as "Fruit Plantation Development Law."

SEC. 2. Coverage. — All agricultural lands located within the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao suitable for the planting of export fruits, such as, but not limited to bananas and mangoes are hereby declared available for the establishment of export fruit plantations. The Regional Governor, upon the recommendation of the Regional Department of Agriculture and Fisheries and the Regional Department of Environment and Natural Resources, shall identify those lands suitable for development into export fruit plantations and shall take into consideration efficient system of allocation and utilization of land for the purpose and subject to rules and regulations under existing laws and regulations.

SEC. 3. Land Utilization. - To ensure an effective and orderly utilization of land for export fruit plantation purpose, the Regional Governor shall, with the concurrence of the Regional Assembly, have the

Sovernment or private land owners, to negotiate a joint venture with private landowners and enter into transaction with individuals, corporations, partnership or associations for the utilization of lands. Any individual, corporation or association that might be lacking essential qualifications to own land under existing laws or regulations affecting land ownership may enter into arrangements for the acquisition of rights over the land, including, but not limited to leases, usufructs or similar arrangements, to allow the establishment of export fruit plantations: Provided, however, That any such arrangement shall be subject to the limits imposed by the Constitution of the Philippines on the acquisition of rights over land.

SEC. 4. Incentives. — To encourage foreign and domestic investors engaged in export fruit plantations within the Region, the Regional Governor shall, upon the recommendation of the Regional Board of Investments (RBOI), have full authority subject to the provisions under Section 11, Article 13 of the Organic Act, to grant appropriate incentives to investors in export fruit plantations, in addition to the incentives available under other existing laws.

SEC. 5. Reports. - The Regional Board of Investments (RBOI) shall require investors in export fruit plantations to submit such periodic reports as may be necessary in order to ensure compliance with existing laws and regulations.

SEC. 6. Effectivity. - This Act shall take effect immediately after fifteen (15) days from the date of its publication in at least one (1) newspaper of general circulation in the Autonomous Region.

APPROVED:

GUIMID P. MATALAM Speaker

This Act was passed by the Regional Jegislative Assembly on October 11, 1994.

Secretary-General

APPROVED:

NINDING P. PANGANDAMAN

Date: Boverne

## Regional Legislative Assembly REGIONAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao Cotabato City

October 21, 1994

HON. LININDING P. PANGANDAMAN Regional Governor Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao Cotabato City

Sir:

Pursuant to Article VII, Section 18 of Republic Act No. 6734, I have the honor to forward the herewith attached copy of RLA BILL NO. 35, which was enacted by the Regional Legislative Assembly, Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao during its regular session held on October 11, 1994, entitled:

"AN ACT MAKING AGRICULTURAL LAND WITHIN THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO AVAILABLE FOR DEVELOPMENT AS EXPORT FRUIT PLANTATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

For His Honor's appropriate action.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

TOMMY A. ALA Secretary-General Republic of the Philippines REGIONAL REGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao Cotabato City

SECOND LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY (SECOND REGULAR SESSION)

Begun and held in Cotabato City, the twenty-fifth day of April, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Four.

- 000 -

## [ MUSLIM MINDANAO AUTONOMY ACT NO. 30 ]

"AN ACT MAKING AGRICULTURAL LAND WITHIN THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO AVAILABLE FOR DEVELOPMENT AS EXPORT FRUIT PLANTATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Be it enacted by the Regional Legislative Assembly in session assembled:

SECTION 1. Title. - This Act shall be known as "Fruit Plantation Development Law."

SEC. 2. Coverage. - All agricultural lands located within the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao suitable for the planting of export fruits, such as, but not limited to bananas and mangoes are hereby declared available for the establishment of export fruit plantations. The Regional Governor, upon the recommendation of the Regional Department of Agriculture and Fisheries and the Regional Department of Environment and Natural Resources, shall identify those lands suitable for development into export fruit plantations and shall take into consideration efficient system of allocation and utilization of land for the purpose and subject to rules and regulations under existing laws and regulations.

SEC. 3. Land Utilization. - To ensure an effective and orderly utilization of land for export fruit plantation purpose, the Regional Governor shall, with the concurrence of the Regional Assembly, have the



authority on behalf of the Autonomous Regional Government or private land owners, to negotiate a joint venture with private landowners and enter into transaction with individuals, corporations, partnership or associations for the utilization of lands. Any individual, corporation or association that might be lacking essential qualifications to own land under existing laws or regulations affecting land ownership may enter into arrangements for the acquisition of rights over the land, including, but not limited to leases, usufructs or similar arrangements, allow the establishment of export fruit plantations: Provided, however, That any such arrangement shall be subject to the limits imposed by the Constitution of the Philippines on the acquisition of rights over land.

- SEC. 4. Incentives. To encourage foreign and domestic investors engaged in export fruit plantations within the Region, the Regional Governor shall, upon the recommendation of the Regional Board of Investments (RBOI), have full authority subject to the provisions under Section 11, Article 13 of the Organic Act, to grant appropriate incentives to investors in export fruit plantations, in addition to the incentives available under other existing laws.
- SEC. 5. Reports. The Regional Board of Investments (RBOI) shall require investors in export fruit plantations to submit such periodic reports as may be necessary in order to ensure compliance with existing laws and regulations.

SEC. 6. Effectivity. - This Act shall take effect immediately after fifteen (15) days from the date of its publication in at least one (1) newspaper of general circulation in the Autonomous Region.

APPROVED:

GUIMID P. MATALAM Speaker

This Act was passed by the Regional Legislative Assembly on October 11, 1994.

TOMMY A. ALA Secretary-General

APPROVED:

ZININDING P. PANGANDAMA

Regional Governor

Date: