## MALACAÑANG

## Manila

## BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 17

ATTACHING THE NATIONAL IRRIGATION ADMINISTRATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

WHEREAS, the National Irrigation Administration, an attached agency of the Office of the President, is mandated to promote the integrated growth and development of the irrigation system in our agricultural areas;

WHEREAS, this Administration is committed to providing its full support and cooperation to the agricultural sector as a means to assuming the stability of our food supply;

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need to transfer the supervision and control over the National Irrigation Administration from the Office of the President to the Department of Agriculture;

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. The National Irrigation Administration is hereby attached to the Department of Agriculture.
- SEC. 2. The NIA shall continue to exercise its power and functions under existing laws.
- SEC. 3. The Secretary of Agriculture shall be the Chairman of the governing body of the NIA.

This Administrative Order shall take effect immediately.

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Done in the City of Manila, this 14thday of October, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

By the President!

EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR. Executive Secretary