MALACAÑANG MANILA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 56

CREATING A NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR THE PHILIPPINE OBSERVANCE OF THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNITED NATIONS ON 24 OCTOBER 1995

WHEREAS, the United Nations will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary on 24 October 1995; and

WHEREAS, the United Nations has urged member-states to establish national committees which shall prepare fitting activities for this anniversary in coordination with the United Nations Secretariat.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. There is hereby created a National Committee for the Philippine Observance of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the United Nations on 24 October 1995 ("Committee") which shall be composed of the following:

Secretary, Department of Foreign Affairs Chairman Secretary, Department of Education, Culture and Sports Member Secretary, Department of National Defense Member Secretary, Department of the Interior and Local Government Member Secretary, Department of Tourism Member Secretary, Department of Budget and Management Member Director-General, National Economic and Development Authority Member Press Secretary, Office of the President Member Chief Presidential Legal Counsel Member Chief of Staff, Armed Forces of the Philippines Member Chairman, National Commission on Culture and Arts Member President, Cultural Center of the Philippines Member President, United Nations Association of the Philippines Member

The Chairman and members shall designate their respective representatives in the event that they cannot attend the meetings of the Committee.

Section 2. The Committee shall prepare the national programme Nations Secretariat.

The Committee is hereby authorized to call upon any government agency including government-owned and/or controlled corporations for assistance in the performance of its functions. It may individuals or organizations involved in the various activities of the United Nations.

Section 3. A Secretariat is hereby created at the Office of United Nations and Other International Organizations (UNIO), Department of Foreign Affairs, to be headed by the Assistant Secretary for UNIO. The Secretariat shall provide administrative and technical support for the meetings of the Committee and its sub-committees.

Section 4. All funds necessary for the operation of the Committee and its Secretariat shall be charged against the appropriations of the Department of Foreign Affairs, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

Section 5. This Administrative Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this <u>31st</u> day of May in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

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By the President:

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Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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