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MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 87

**CREATING A SCREENING COMMITTEE TO EVALUATE THE  
NOMINEES FOR CONFERMENT OF THE GAWAD MABINI AWARD WITH  
THE HIGHEST RANK, THE "DAKILANG KAMANONG"**

WHEREAS, the Gawad Mabini Award was created by virtue of Presidential Decree No. 490, dated 24 June 1974, "to be conferred by the President of the Philippines on personnel of the Department of Foreign Affairs, both in the Home Office and in the Foreign Service, as well as on other Filipinos who have rendered distinguished service or promoted the interests of the Republic of the Philippines at home and abroad;"

WHEREAS, Section 2(a) of Presidential Decree No. 490 provides that the highest rank of the Gawad Mabini Award, the *Dakilang Kamanong* shall be "awarded to the incumbent or former Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Department of Foreign Affairs Officers with the rank of Chief of Mission, and Cabinet Members or other high officials who have headed a Philippine delegation to an important international conference on a ministerial level and have made substantive contributions in the interest of the government and public welfare as a result of their participation in such conference;"

WHEREAS, Section 6 of Presidential Decree No. 490 requires that nominees for conferment of the rank of *Dakilang Kamanong* shall be duly screened by a Committee to be appointed by the President;"

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 and direct the creation of a Screening Committee to evaluate the nominees for conferment of the highest rank of the Gawad Mabini Award, the *Dakilang Kamanong*, to be composed of the following:

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1. The Executive Secretary Chairman
2. The First Undersecretary of Foreign Affairs Member
3. The President of the Philippine Ambassadors' Association Member.

The Screening Committee shall meet whenever nominations for conferment of the Gawad Mabini Award with the rank of *Dakilang Kamanong* are made. ]

The Screening Committee shall forward its recommendations to the President. 1

This Memorandum Order takes effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 5th day of February in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.



By the President:



ANTONIO T. CARPIO  
Chief Presidential Legal Counsel

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