

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 17

PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE TERM OF THE TASK FORCE TO COMPLETE THE WIND-UP OF ACTIVITIES OF THE MT. PINATUBO ASSISTANCE, REHABILITATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

WHEREAS, as stipulated under Section 1 of Executive Order (EO) No. 4 dated 5 March 2001, a Task Force to Wind up the Mt. Pinatubo Assistance, Rehabilitation and Development Commission (MPARDC) activities has been created as an ad hoc support body with the sole purpose of completing the wind-up of the Mt. Pinatubo Commission (MPC) until 31 March 2001;

WHEREAS, pursuant thereto, EO Nos. 5 & 6 authorized the transfer of MPC functions to successor agencies such as the Housing and Urban Development Coordinating Council (HUDCC) and Local Government Units (LGUs) for the resettlement sites and Technology Livelihood Resource Center (TLRC) for the livelihood component;

WHEREAS, to implement the transfer of MPC functions, Memoranda of Agreement (MOAs) with the appropriate successor agencies are necessary;

WHEREAS, the accomplishment of the activities as approved in the exit plan need more time to be completed;

WHEREAS, under RA 7637, the MPC is required to submit financial and terminal reports which as determined by the Task Force can reasonably be completed by end of June 2001.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1. The term of the Task Force created under Executive Order 4 is extended until 30 June 2001.

SEC 2. The Department of Budget and Management (DBM) is authorized to retain the number of personnel necessary to complete the activities and disburse funds to support the operating expenses of the Task Force. This includes the remaining works to be done to the newly constructed 1,000 housing units located in the Resettlement Sites in



Pandacaqui, Sta, Lucia and Madapdap, such as the development of roadnets and utilities which include electricity and water systems, chargeable against the unutilized Presidential Assistant for Rural Development (PARD) funds previously authorized to be transferred to the DBM.

SEC 3. The Chairman of the MPC is authorized to execute all the MOAs implementing the transfers of MPC functions to the appropriate successor agencies.

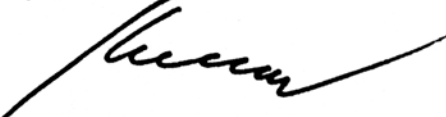
SEC 4. All other provisions under EO No.4 not otherwise amended by this Order shall remain in force and effect until 30 June 2001.

SEC 5. This Order shall take effect immediately upon signing.

Done in the City of Manila, this 18th day of May, in the year of Our Lord, two thousand and one.



By the President:



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