

ADOPTING AN INTEGRATED COMPENSATION SCHEME FOR JUDICIAL AND LEGAL POSITIONS IN THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT.

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WHEREAS, an effective and efficient judicial and legal system in government is a major objective of the New Society;

WHEREAS, legal services are rendered by numerous agencies of government;

WHEREAS, the compensation system of judicial and legal positions needs to be rationalized and systematized;

WHEREAS, the Constitution directs the adoption of a standardized system of compensation in the government:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution, do hereby Order and Decree the following as part of the law of the land:

SECTION 1. Statement of Policy. It is hereby declared policy of the national government to adopt and implement an integrated compensation scheme for judicial and legal positions in the national government, covering positions in the Judiciary, the Batasang Pambansa, the Ministry of Justice, the Office of the Solicitor General, and other Ministries with positions of comparable duties and responsibility, within the funding, limitations of government.

SEC. 2. Judiciary Positions. The compensation of positions in the Judiciary, including, Judges and Clerks of Court, shall be reviewed in the light of prevailing compensation in the private sector and the capability of government to grant compensation increases to public officials and employees. The Ministry of the Budget, through the Office of Compensation and Position Classification, shall undertake such a review and shall submit a plan for the approval of the President (Prime Minister), for rationalizing and upgrading Judicial salaries, within six (6) months from the date hereof.

SEC. 3. Ministry of Justice Positions. The positions in the Ministry of Justice shall be upgraded in basic salary so as to reach ultimately at least the following levels, to be implemented on a gradual basis subject to the availability of funds and in conjunction with the program similarly upgrade all judicial and legal positions in government:

SEC. 4. This Decree shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 26th day of September, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty.

(Sgd.) FERDINAND E. MARCOS
President of the Philippines

By the President:

(Sgd.) JUAN C. TUVERA

Senior Presidential Assistant

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