

INCREASING THE SALARIES OF THE PERSONNEL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND THE FOREIGN SERVICE

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WHEREAS, the importance of the Foreign Service as the major instrument of the Government in the protection and advancement of the country's interest abroad has greatly-increased, especially at this time when the government is particularly engaged in development diplomacy;

WHEREAS, it is necessary that personnel of the Foreign Service be provided with adequate financial means to be able to represent the country not only effectively but also in a manner worthy of the esteem and respect of the country to which they are accredited;

WHEREAS, the tremendous rise in the cost of living resulting from the worldwide economic inflation and the recent energy crisis has considerably reduced the value of the present salaries of Foreign Service personnel;

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 decree as follows:

SECTION 1. The provisions of existing laws to the contrary notwithstanding, the positions in the Department of Foreign Affairs shall be classified according to the following schedule of classes and rates:

Chief of Mission, Class I

P37,344

Class II

35,532

Career Minister

27,732

Senior Foreign Affairs Adviser

27,732

Foreign Service Officer, Class I

23,892

22,728

21,624

Foreign Affairs Adviser

20,580

Foreign Service Officer, Class II

20,580

19,584

18,636

Foreign Service Officer, Class III

17,724

16,860

16,044

Foreign Service Officer, Class IV

15,234

14,532

18,824

Foreign Service Staff Officer I

13,824

13,152

12,516

Foreign Service Staff Officer II

12,516

11,904

11,328

Foreign Service Staff Service III

10,776

10,260

9,756

Foreign Service Staff Employee I

9,288

8,832

8,400

Foreign Service Staff Employee II

7,992

7,608

7,236

Foreign Service Staff Employee III

6,240

5,928

5,640

SEC. 2. Positions not falling under the above classes will also be subject to the existing WAPCO Classification and Pay Plans.

SEC. 3. These salary increases shall be implemented in accordance with a timetable and such rules and regulations as may be approved by the President.

Done in the City of Manila this 18th day of March, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and seventy-six.

(Sgd.)

FERDINAND E. MARCOS

President

Republic of the Philippines

By the President:

(Sgd.)

JACOBO C. CLAVE

Presidential Executive Assistant

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