

DIRECTING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF MAJOR NATIONAL GOVERNMENT ACTIVITIES IN THE COUNTRYSIDE

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WHEREAS, the national government budget provided significant amounts for activities important to the countryside;

WHEREAS, the human settlements approach calls for location-specific projects that are consistent with local development strategy and plans and with the eleven (11) basic needs of man;

WHEREAS, the old practice of pork barrel allocations must be discontinued in favor of fund allocations determined on the basis of an overall national development plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, do hereby direct the following measures in implementation of the CY 1979 budget;

- The national government project schedules for the various regions/provinces/cities/municipalities of the country, 1 as presented in the attached Document are hereby approved, covering the following areas and to accompany the basic infrastructure and other capital outlays program of the national government:

Medical Services

Construction of rural health units and barrio health stations

Construction and improvement of hospitals and sanitarium

Operation and maintenance of existing hospitals

Opening and establishment of hospitals

Distribution of drugs and medicines

Education, Culture and Technology

Construction, repair and rehabilitation of school buildings

Construction and renovation of national high schools and colleges

Operation and maintenance of national high schools Aid to local schools

Sports and Recreation

Promotion and financing of an integrated physical education Program

Mobility

Construction, rehabilitation and improvement of national provincial, city and municipal roads and bridges

Construction of barangay roads and bridges

Repair and maintenance of roads and bridges

Ecological Balance

Reforestation

Shelter

Land home development and improvement Loan assistance

Food

Agricultural development program

Promotion of home management and rural youth development

Immunization, control and prevention of animal diseases

Nationwide food assistance program

Public Buildings

Repair, rehabilitation and renovation of national government buildings

Construction of police headquarters, stations, fire stations, jails and training centers

- The Minister of the Budget shall release the funds in accordance with the approved program and shall inform all local government heads, through Members of the Batasang Pambansa, Provincial Governor and Mayors of Cities and Municipalities, of the projects and the corresponding amounts earmarked for their respective localities.

- The funds shall be released in accordance with the implementation schedule contained in the attached Document, subject to availability of cash at the indicated times and to the usual budgetary reserves. The implementing agencies concerned shall comply with the project listing and implementation schedule and shall not withhold any amounts intended for regional distribution except as may be duly authorized under P.D. No. 1177.

Done in the City of Manila, this 20th day of December, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and seventy-eight. the President:

(Sgd.) FERDINAND E. MARCOS

President

Republic of the Philippines

By the President:

(Sgd.) JACOBO C. CLAVE

Presidential Executive Assistant

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