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TO :

The Secretary of Foreign Affairs

The Secretary of Justice

(The Commissioner of Immigration and Deportation)

The Secretary of National Defense

WHEREAS, the period fixed under Letter of Instructions No. 130, dated September 19, 1973, for Chinese nationals to avail of the solution of the overstaying Chinese problem embodied in Presidential Decree No. 298, dated September 19, 1973, expires December 19, 1973;

WHEREAS, a large number of qualified Chinese nationals who have not yet availed of the benefits provided under the said Decree have strongly requested the extension of the period within which to avail of the said benefits;

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Immigration and Deportation has strongly recommended the approval of these requests;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution as Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Philippines and pursuant to Proclamation No. 1081, dated September 21, 1972, and General Order No. 1, dated September 22, 1972, as amended, do hereby extend up to February 19, 1974 the period for filing of applications for benefits under Presidential Decree No. 298, dated September 19, 1973.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 19th day of December, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Three.

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