

## **ESTABLISHING A WORKERS REHABILITATION CENTER COMPLEX FOR INDUSTRIALLY DISABLED WORKERS AND DISABLED SOLDIERS UNDER THE NEW EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION PROGRAM**

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TO : The Chairman and the Members  
EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

In implementation of Paragraph (d), Article 177, Title II, Book IV of the Labor Code of the Philippines (PD 442, as amended further by PD 1368), which empower the Employees' Compensation Commission (ECC) to initiate policies and programs on rehabilitation other than those provided for under Article 190 of the Labor Code, and to appropriate funds therefor, and in correlation with Article 190 of the same Code, the Employees' Compensation Commission is hereby directed to establish and make operative a comprehensive WORKERS REHABILITATION CENTER COMPLEX for industrially disabled workers, including disabled soldier, to be located within Metro Manila, or at any other place suitable to their needs.

For this purpose, the Workers Rehabilitation Center Complex shall receive policy guidance from and shall be under the general management of the Employees' Compensation Commission, which is hereby constituted as its Governing Board.

Whenever necessary, the Governing Board may create an Advisory Council that shall act as a consultative and advisory body, to be composed of representatives from the National Commission on Rehabilitation, the Ministry of Health, the Institute of Public Health of the University of the Philippines, and such other specialized association and organizations on rehabilitation as may be needed.

The Employees' Compensation Commission is hereby authorized to appropriate the amount of FIFTY MILLION PESOS for the establishment and operation of the Workers Rehabilitation Center Complex, to be drawn from reserves of the State Insurance Fund (SIF) that the Social Security System (SSS) and the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) administer for the private sector and the public service, respectively, under the new Employees' Compensation Program.

The Employees' Compensation Commission shall issue rules and regulations to implement this LOI.

Done in the City of Manila, Republic of the Philippines, this 1st day of May, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Nine,

(Sgd.) FERDINAND E. MARCOS  
President and Prime Minister  
Republic of the Philippines

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