DIRECTING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF MAJOR NATIONAL GOVERNMENT ACTIVITIES IN THE COUNTRYSIDE

LETTER OF IMPLEMENTATION NO. 60, January 26, 1978

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WHEREAS, the national Government budget provides significant amounts for activities important to the countryside population;

WHEREAS, the various regions differ in national resource endowment, population characteristics and in development strategy as set in P.D. No. 1200, the National Development Plan;

WHEREAS, the old practice for 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 1978 budget:

- The regional allocation of national government expenditures as presented in the attached Document is hereby approved, covering the construction of barangay roads, repair and maintenance of roads and bridges, aid to local schools, school building construction, purchase of drugs and medicines, hospital construction and renovation, and reforestation.

- The Commissioner of the Budget shall release the funds in accordance with the approved program and shall inform all local Government heads, through Provincial Governors 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. 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 26th day of January, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and seventy-eight.

(Sgd.) FERDINAND E. MARCOS

President

Republic of the Philippines

By the President:

(Sgd.) JACOBO C. CLAVE

Presidential Executive Assistant

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