

**AMENDING PARAGRAPH 7, AFP SPECIAL PROVISIONS,
PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 233, GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS,
FISCAL YEAR 1973-1974 AND REPEALING GENERAL ORDER NO. 14,
DATED OCTOBER 3, 197...**

PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 397, February 28, 1974

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WHEREAS, the basic subsistence allowance for each officer and enlisted personnel as provided for in paragraph 7, Armed Forces of the Philippines, Special Provisions, Presidential Decree No. 233, General Appropriations FY 73-74, shall be five pesos (P5.00);

WHEREAS, General Order No. 14, dated October 3, 1972, was adopted authorizing an additional daily subsistence allowance for all enlisted personnel of the Armed Forces of the Philippines and trainees undergoing military training pursuant to Republic Act No. 4091, who are attached to a regular unit of the Armed Forces of the Philippines engaged in combat operations;

WHEREAS, the basic daily subsistence allowance currently authorized to each officer and enlisted personnel, including cadets and trainees is not adequate to meet the prevailing cost of prime commodities; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to provide nutrition for the officers and men of the Armed Forces of the Philippines in order to keep and maintain at high level their physical fitness and efficiency in carrying a great share of the grave burden of suppressing the activities of a group of men actively engaged in a criminal conspiracy to seize political and state power in the Philippines, and/or eradicating lawlessness, anarchy, disorder and wanton destruction of lives and property in the country;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers in me vested by the Constitution as Commander-in-Chief of all the Armed Forces of the Philippines, and pursuant to Proclamation No. 1081, dated September 21, 1972, General Order No. 1, dated September 22, 1972, and Proclamation No. 1104, dated January 17, 1973, do hereby authorize and prescribe the basic daily subsistence allowance of not less than six pesos (P6.00) for each officer and enlisted personnel of the Armed Forces of the Philippines: Provided, That cadets of the PMA and PAFFS; trainees undergoing military training pursuant to Republic Act No. 4091; Probationary Second Lieutenants/Ensigns, ROTC Cadets on Summer Camp Training, reserve officers and enlisted reservists undergoing training or assembly/mobilization tests shall be entitled to the same basic daily subsistence allowance authorized to members of the Regular Force while on such training: Provided, further, That additional subsistence allowance shall be paid to officers, enlisted personnel, Probationary Second Lieutenants/Ensigns, draftees and trainees on duty at AFP Long Lines relay sites, Air Defense Alert Centers, Air Rescue Alert Centers, Military Sealift and Terminal Command and other alert centers, isolated stations/sites/areas where personnel are on twenty-four-hour alert status, that may be declared by the Chief of Staff, AFP at rates not to exceed P1 .00 per day, and to PN officers, Probationary Ensigns, and enlisted personnel when on sea duty at the rates of P2.00 per day for officers, P1.00 per day for enlisted personnel, draftees and 20-year-old trainees.

This Decree shall take effect as of January 1, 1974.

All provisions of existing laws and decrees in conflict with this Decree are hereby repealed.

Done in the City of Manila, this 28th day of February, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and seventy-four.

(Sgd.) FERDINAND E. MARCOS

President

Republic of the Philippines

By the President:

(Sgd.) ALEJANDRO MELCHOR

Executive Secretary

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