

[PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1392, May 30, 1978]

AUTHORIZING PHILIPPINE NAVY OFFICERS WHILE ASSIGNED WITH THE PHILIPPINE MARINES TO USE THE OFFICER RANK DESIGNATION OF THE GROUND AND AIR FORCES.

WHEREAS, ever since the activation of the Philippine Marines as a unit of the Philippine Navy, naval officers while assigned with the Philippine Marines continue to use naval rank designation;

WHEREAS, Philippine Navy enlisted personnel assigned with the Philippine Marines are given the enlisted rank designation of the Ground and Air Forces;

WHEREAS, there is increasing interaction between the Philippine Marines and the Ground and Air Forces, in both their operation and administrative duties;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to have a common rank designation so as to avoid possible confusion and embarrassment that may arise due to differences in rank designation;

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 all the Armed Forces of the Philippines, and pursuant to Proclamation No. 1081, dated September 21, 1972, do hereby order and decree that:

SECTION 1.—All Philippine Navy officers while assigned with the Philippine Marines are hereby authorized to use the Ground and Air Forces rank designation; *Provided*, That Navy Officers who may be assigned with the Philippine Marines shall continue to be carried in the Philippine Navy Seniority and Lineal and Promotion Lists; *Provided further*, That when these naval officers are reassigned from the Philippine Marines to the Philippine Navy, they shall resume the use of their naval rank designation.

SECTION 2.—All laws, rules and regulations which are inconsistent with this decree are amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 3.—The Chief of Staff, AFP shall issue the necessary rules and regulations to implement this decree, subject to the approval of the Secretary of National Defense.

SECTION 4.—This Decree shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 30th day of May in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and seventy-eight.

**(Sgd.) FERDINAND E.
MARCOS**
President of the Philippines

By the President:

(Sgd.) JUAN C. TUVERA