[ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 121, May 13, 2000]

CONSTITUTING A PHILIPPINE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR THE STAGING OF THE 3RD PRELIMINARY LEG AND THE FINALS OF THE 2000 WORLD WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL GRAND PRIX

WHEREAS, the Philippines had successfully played host to major world conferences and international sporting events;

WHEREAS, the World Women's Volleyball Grand Prix is a yearly event held in selected Asian cities, featuring top level competition of the world's top eight (8) volleyball teams;

WHEREAS, owing to the successful staging by the Philippine Amateur Volleyball Association of the 3rd Preliminary Leg of the 1999 World Women's Volleyball (WWV) Grand Prix, the *Federacion Internationale de Volleyball (FIVB)* has entrusted the Philippines with the responsibility of staging not only the 3rd Preliminary Leg of the 2000 WWV Grand Prix but also the Finals;

WHEREAS, the Grand Prix 3rd Preliminary Leg will be held in Cebu City and the Finals will be held in Metro Manila;

WHEREAS, the Philippines, as host country of the Finals, will contribute US\$150,000.00 to the prize money;

WHEREAS, the staging of the 2000 WWV Grand Prix will have a direct positive effect on the efforts of the tourism industry in projecting and promoting the Philippines as an ideal site for international and local sporting events;

WHEREAS, this sporting event will bring international prestige, publicity, goodwill, and economic benefits to the country;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH EJERCITO ESTRADA, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. A Philippine Management Committee (PMC), headed by the joint chairmanship of the Chairman of the Philippine Sports Commission and the President of the League of Municipalities of the Philippines, co-chaired by a representative of the private sector, with a representative each from the Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation, Philippine Tourism Authority (PTA), Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office (PCSO), Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP), Social Security System (SSS) and the Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP) as members, is hereby constituted to oversee and undertake all necessary preparations for the staging on August 24-27, 2000 of the 3rd Leg of the 2000 WWV Grand Prix.

SEC. 2. All concerned departments, agencies and offices of the government, including government owned and controlled corporations, are enjoined to extend