[ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 25, October 01, 1998]

DIRECTING THE BASES CONVERSION DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (BCDA) TO REVIEW AND UPDATE AND, WHERE NECESSARY, MODIFY OR REVISE THE MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLANS FOR THE PROPERTIES IN THE METRO MANILA CAMPS TRANSFERRED TO IT PURSUANT TO REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7227, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER RELATED PURPOSES

WHEREAS, under Republic Act No. 7227, Section 4, BCDA is empowered to own, hold and/or administer those portions of Metro Manila camps which may be transferred to it by the President;

WHEREAS, under Republic Act No. 7227, Section 8, the Metro Manila camps transferred to BCDA may be sold, in whole or in part, provided that the President has approved a development plan embodying projects for conversion;

WHEREAS, Master Development Plans (MDPs) for various former military camps, such as the Fort Bonifacio military reservation, Camp John Hay in Baguio City, and Wallace Poro Point in La Union, have been approved by the President;

WHEREAS, a portion of the former Fort Bonifacio military reservation has been sold within the general framework of the approved MDP;

WHEREAS, as found necessary, the original MDPs have been updated so as to make the planned land uses of the Metro Manila camps more responsive to the declared policy of Republic Act No. 7227 to enhance the benefits to be derived from said properties in order to promote national development;

WHEREAS, the Administration has declared its strong commitment to pursue a policy of socio-economic development, focus on the upliftment of the condition of the poor;

WHEREAS, in the light of the major programs of the new administration, the recent developments in, and the present state of the Philippine economy, it is imperative for BCDA to review the current MDPs to ensure that they are supportive of the economic and social reform policies of the Administration;

WHEREAS, considering that portions of the Metro Manila camps have been sold under the general framework of the MDPs, BCDA shall undertake the review of the MDPs with the participation of its current joint venture partners, property developers and investors.

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