

**[ ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 267, April 19, 1996 ]**

**CREATING A MULTI-SECTORAL/AGENCY COMMITTEE TO FORMULATE A NATIONAL ACTION AGENDA FOR PRODUCTIVITY**

**WHEREAS**, the Philippines, which is in the process of diversifying its exports and building its competitive strength based on skill and technology intensiveness, needs to formulate national strategies for productivity improvement to prepare it for competition in the 21st century;

**WHEREAS**, labor productivity alone has been inadequate to explain the competitive advantage of countries and that total factor productivity, which refers to the efficient utilization of the economy's productive inputs - capital, labor, energy and materials, also needs to be examined;

**WHEREAS**, to ensure consistency of policies, it is important to coordinate the efforts of the National Wages and Productivity Commission (NWPC) which was created by Republic Act No. 6727 and the National Productivity Organization of the Philippines (NPOP) based at the Development Academy of the Philippines (DAP) by virtue of Presidential Decree No. 205 in the promotion of productivity awareness and improvement in key sectors of the economy;

**WHEREAS**, productivity-enhancing measures at the short-, medium- and long-term, which will be critical in the pursuit of sustained economic growth, have to be incorporated in the Updated Medium-Term Philippine Development Plan covering the period 1996-98 and the Long-Term Philippine Development Plan for the period 1997-2025;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS**, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the formulation of a National Action Agenda for Productivity.

**SECTION 1. *Creation of a National Multi-Sectoral Committee on Productivity.*** A National Multi-Sectoral Committee on Productivity to formulate a National Action Agenda for Productivity, hereinafter referred to as the Multi-Sectoral Committee, is hereby created.

**SEC. 2. *Composition.*** The Multi-Sectoral Committee, to be chaired by the Secretary of Socioeconomic Planning of the National Economic and Development Authority with the President of the Development Academy of the Philippines and the Chairperson of the National Wages and Productivity Commission as Vice-Chairpersons, shall have as members, representatives from the following agencies/sectors:

- a. Department of Science and Technology;
- b. Department of Trade and Industry;
- c. Department of Agriculture;