

[ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 120, March 03, 1994]

CREATING A PRESIDENTIAL TASK FORCE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF LUNGSOD SILANGAN

WHEREAS, the government's vision of Philippines 2000 aims to provide all localities with opportunities for self-development and to widen their access to productive resources;

WHEREAS, Lungsod Silangan, consisting of 180,723 hectares covering the provinces of Rizal, Laguna and Quezon, was identified as one of the first new towns to be established with the end in view of alleviating the problems of Metro Manila;

WHEREAS, the Human Settlements Development Corporation (HSDC), by virtue of P.D. No. 1396 dated 02 June 1978, was tasked to have, as its initial project, the development of Lungsod Silangan Townsite;

WHEREAS, the HSDC has undertaken a divestment/phase-out program and has entered into a Trust Agreement with the Kilusang Kabuhayan at Kaunlaran-Processing Center Authority (KKK-PCA) to assume its remaining activities;

WHEREAS, the Government recognizes that Lungsod Silangan is a suitable site for urban development;

WHEREAS, there is now a need to reactivate and fast-track the development of Lungsod Silangan to harness its potentials;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by Law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Creation of a Task Force. There is hereby created a Presidential Task Force for the Development of Lungsod Silangan, hereby referred to as the "Task Force".

SEC. 2. Composition. The Task Force shall be chaired by the Executive Secretary with the Chairman of the Housing and Urban Development Coordinating Council as Vice-Chairman. Its members shall be composed of the following:

- a. Secretary, Department of Environment and Natural Resources;
- b. Secretary, Department of Agrarian Reform;
- c. Cabinet Officer for Regional Development, Region IV; and
- c. Director-General, National Economic and Development Authority.

The Task Force is hereby authorized to call upon any department, bureau, office, agency or instrumentality of the government, including government owned and controlled corporations, for such assistance as it may need in the discharge of its functions.