[ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 5, September 01, 1992]

IMPLEMENTING SECTION 48, GENERAL PROVISIONS OF THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF 1992, FOR THE SCALING DOWN OF INSPECTION ACTIVITIES IN THE PROFESSIONAL REGULATIONS COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the Professional Regulations Commission has not undergone any restructuring since 1973 when it was first organized by virtue of Presidential Decree No. 223;

WHEREAS, the Commission has since expanded its operations over the last eighteen years of its existence;

WHEREAS, the need for a more responsive administrative and financial services group exists to cope with the increasing and growing complexities of the Commission's activities and functions;

WHEREAS, limited government resources has rendered imperative the scaling down of the Commission's ocular inspection activities of industrial, mechanical, electrical or chemical plants or works where registered practitioners are employed in areas where it is not deemed economical to conduct separate inspection activities;

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

SECTION 1. The Professional Regulation Commission shall limit the conduct of purely inspection activities by members of the different boards to only the National Capital Region and Regions I to IV in view of the concentration of facilities where regulated practitioners are employed in these areas.

SEC. 2. Inspection activities in Region V to XII shall be done simultaneous with the holding of licensure examinations in said areas to cut down on travelling expenses while at the same time ensuring that inspection activities are likewise performed in these places by Board members.

SEC. 3. Savings to be generated from the scaling down of PRC's inspection activities in the amount of P184,974.00 shall be utilized for the creation of an Office of Financial and Administrative Service to be headed by a Director II.

SEC. 4. This Administrative Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 1st day of September, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.