

**[ EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 64, December 18, 2001 ]**

**DECLARING THE PROPERTY OF THE BASES CONVERSION AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY LOCATED IN SCOUT BARRIO, BAGUIO CITY AS HOUSING SITE AND PROVIDING FOR ITS DISPOSITION TO BONAFIDE OCCUPANTS**

WHEREAS , in line with the priority concern of the present Administration to provide lands to deserving landless and homeless Filipinos, the President has issued a memorandum dated 05 February 2001, directing all heads of Government Departments, Agencies, Government-Owned and Controlled Corporations and their Instrumentalities to identify areas which may be identified for socialized housing purposes;

WHEREAS , said memorandum is in accordance with the policy of the present Administration of regularizing the land tenurial status of informal settlers occupying public lands;

WHEREAS , the Bases Conversion and Development Authority (BCDA), a government corporation created under Republic Act 7227, accelerated the conversion of military reservations into other productive uses, and pursuant to the same law, was given the authority to dispose of these military camps to provide funds for their development and conversion to productive civilian use;

WHEREAS , Proclamation 198 series of 1993, transferred to BCDA the ownership, administration and control of the John Hay Air Station consisting of 570 hectares a portion of which is known as Scout Barrio;

WHEREAS , an area of approximately 15.9 hectares of Scout Barrio is occupied by civilian employees of the former US military base;

WHEREAS , the City Council of Baguio issued Resolution No. 074 endorsing the transfer of a portion of Barangay Scout Barrio to the legitimate occupants who have been occupying subject lots since the time of the Americans;

WHEREAS , the above-mentioned area of 15.9 hectares is part of the titled area of the reservation in the name of Bases Conversion Development Authority covered by Transfer Certificate Title No. 62887;

WHEREAS , BCDA has expressed its intention to dispose of the occupied portion to the legitimate occupants who have been living in the area even before the enactment of the Urban Development and Housing Act of 1992.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO , President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Declaration as Socialized Housing Site. In view of the need of informal settlers to acquire home ownership and shelter security, the portion of BCDA's