[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 60, December 11, 2001]

RATIONALIZING THE OFFICES OF THE GOVERNMENT ENGAGED IN PEACE AND DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS IN MINDANAO AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS , in the interest of simplicity, economy and efficiency, there is a need to rationalize the Government offices involved in the peace and development of Mindanao;

WHEREAS, under Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987, the President has the continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of the Office of the President.

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

SECTION 1. The following are hereby abolished and their records, properties and equipment are hereby transferred to the Office of the Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process:

- a. Presidential Executive Task Force for Relief and Rehabilitation of Central Mindanao and Sub-Task Forces created under Executive Order No. 267 dated July 17, 2000; and
- b. Interagency Committee for Relief, Rehabilitation and Development of Areas Affected by Armed Conflicts in Mindanao (INTERACT-Mindanao) created under Executive Order No. 2 dated February 27, 2001.

SECTION 2. The Caraga Development Board and Project Management Office created under Executive Order No. 231 dated April 17, 2000 are hereby abolished and their records, properties and equipment are hereby transferred to the Office of the Presidential Adviser for Regional Development.

SECTION 3. Task Force MALMAR, created under Memorandum Order No. 34 dated November 5, 1998, is hereby abolished and its records, properties and equipment are hereby transferred to the Department of Agriculture.

SECTION 4. The executive ordinances creating the foregoing abolished offices are hereby repealed. All other orders, rules, regulations and other issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon approval.

City of Manila, December 11, 2001.