[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 151, January 11, 1994]

CREATING A PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLAINTS INVOLVING GRAFT AND CORRUPTION

WHEREAS, the eradication of graft and corruption has always been a major goal of the government;

WHEREAS, despite the existence of laws against graft and corruption, and the agencies legally and/or constitutionally mandated enforce these laws, corruption remains prevalent and poses a very serious problem to the country;

WHEREAS, minimizing graft and corruption is imperative if Philippines 2000 is to be realized;

WHEREAS, creating a Presidential Commission Against Graft and Corruption specifically tasked to (a) investigate presidential appointees charged with graft and corruption; (b) coordinate efforts toward the eradication of opportunities favorable to the commission of graft and corruption, and the expeditious prosecution and resolution of pending graft and corruption cases against officials in the executive department; and (c) monitor the implementation of the "Moral Recovery Program" under Proclamation No. 62, dated 30 September 1992, with emphasis on the family, school, church and media as instruments for moral regeneration, will effectively demonstrate the political will of this administration to curb graft and corruption in this country;

WHEREAS, the President, under both the Constitution and the Administrative Code of 1987, has control of all the executive departments, bureaus and offices, and is mandated to ensure that the laws are faithfully executed; and

WHEREAS, Presidential appointees are subject to the disciplinary authority of the President.

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. <u>Organization</u>. – There is hereby constituted a Presidential Commission Against Graft and Corruption, hereinafter called the "Commission", under the Office of the President.

SECTION 2. <u>Composition</u>. – The Commission shall be composed of a Chairman and two (2) Members to be appointed or designated by the President.

SECTION 3. <u>Jurisdiction</u>. – The Commission shall have jurisdiction over all administrative complaints involving graft and corruption filed in any form or manner against presidential appointees, including those in government-owned or controlled corporations.