[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO 42, December 11, 1992]

AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 19, DATED SEPTEMBER 1, 1992, CONSTITUTING THE NATIONAL UNIFICATION COMMISSION AND PRESCRIBING ITS AUTHORITY AND FUNCTIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the National Unification Commission was constituted to undertake a comprehensive and participatory peace process which will involve all concerned sectors of society to generate the collective political will to attain peace with justice;

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Commission was granted a period of ninety (90) days from its formal organization to formulate and recommend to the President a viable amnesty program and peace process that will lead to a just, comprehensive and lasting peace in the country;

WHEREAS, the nationwide public consultations need to be as thorough and broadbased as possible so that all substantive issues and concerns relevant to the peace process can be raised and integrated to the national peace program being formulated by the National Unification Commission;

WHEREAS, there is a need to extend the term of existence of the National Unification Commission to enable it to complete its scheduled program of consultations throughout the country;

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

SECTION 1. Paragraph (a) of Section 2 of Executive Order No. 19, Series of 1992, is hereby amended to read, as follows:

"a. Formulate and recommend, after consulting with the concerned sectors of society, to the President NOT LATER THAN MARCH 16, 1993, a viable general amnesty program and peace that will lead to a just, comprehensive and lasting peace in the country;"

SECTION 2. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

Done in the City of Manila, this 11th day of December, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-two.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS** President of the Philippines