[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 78, December 02, 1986]

AMENDING PARAGRAPH 4 OF SECTION 5 OF REPUBLIC ACT NUMBER 291, AS AMENDED, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROCUREMENT, PROMOTION AND ELIMINATION OF REGULAR OFFICERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, there is an imperative necessity to enhance merit and fairness in the promotion system of the officers in the New Armed Forces of the Philippines (NAFP) that would ultimately strengthen unity within the military establishment;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CORAZON C. AQUINO, President of the Philippines, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Paragraph 4 of Section 5 of Republic Act No. 291 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(4) Members of each Selection Board shall be composed of Regular and Reserve Officers: Provided, That the Chairman and the majority of the members thereof shall be Regular Officers. They must be senior in permanent grade to any officer being considered by their board, and must be holding a commission at least in the grade of Captain or its equivalent rank in the Navy."

SECTION 2. All laws, orders, issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 2nd day of December in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty-six.

(Sgd.) CORAZON C. AQUINO

By the President:

(Sgd.) JOKER P. ARROYO Acting Executive Secretary



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