

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 213, March 05, 1970]

DIRECTING ALL DEPARTMENTS, BUREAUS, OFFICES, AGENCIES AND INSTRUMENTALITIES, INCLUDING GOVERNMENT-OWNED OR CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS, TO REQUIRE EVERY INDIVIDUAL, CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP, AND ASSOCIATION TO STATE OR PLACE ON ALL DOCUMENTS AND RECORDS OF ANY BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS WITH THE SAID GOVERNMENT ENTITIES, AND SUCH OTHER INDIVIDUAL TRANSACTIONS BETWEEN PERSONS AND ENTITIES WHOSE DOCUMENTS NEED TO BE REGISTERED, TO STATE OR PLACE ON THE SAID RECORDS AND DOCUMENTS THEIR TAX ACCOUNT NUMBER

WHEREAS, documents and records of transactions in government offices, agencies and instrumentalities have steadily been utilized and heavily relied upon both by the public and private sectors as principal sources of information in the pursuit of researches, preparation of statistical reports, news reporting, undertaking of project studies, formulation of programs in revenues, fiscal, commercial, agricultural and other subject matters, and planning and programming governmental activities;

WHEREAS, the collation and integration of data and information appearing on documents and records in government offices, agencies and instrumentalities has now become a more complicated affair because of the tremendous increase in volume both as to kind and quantity of transactions handled by the said offices;

WHEREAS, there is, therefore, an urgent need to effectuate and achieve a faster and more systematic and accurate collation and integration of data appearing in the aforesaid source documents in the different government offices, and to insure unimpeachable identity of sources thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby direct all departments, bureaus, offices, agencies and instrumentalities of the government, including government-owned or controlled corporations to require every individual, corporation, partnership, and association transacting any business in their respective offices and such other individual transactions between persons or entities whose documents need to be registered, to state or place on the said papers their Taxpayer Account Number, which the Bureau of Internal Revenue has issued.

Heads of all government offices, agencies and instrumentalities concerned shall take such proper and necessary measures for the prompt and strict implementation of this Order.

Done in the City of Manila, this 5th day of March, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and seventy.