

**[OP EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 70, FEBRUARY 11,
2002, February 11, 2002]**

**DECLARING PORTIONS OF THE PROPERTY OF THE BASES
CONVERSION DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY LOCATED IN FORT
BONIFACIO AND ITS ENVIRONS AS SOCIALIZED HOUSING SITES
AND PROVIDING FOR THE DISPOSITION THEREOF TO
QUALIFIED OCCUPANTS AND BENEFICIARIES**

WHEREAS, in line with the priority concern of the present Administration to provide lands to deserving landless and homeless Filipinos, the President has issued a memorandum dated 05 February 2001, directing all heads of Government Departments, Agencies, Government-Owned and Controlled Corporations and their Instrumentalities to identify areas which may be identified for socialized housing purposes;

WHEREAS, said Memorandum is in accordance with the policy of the present Administration of regularizing the land tenurial status of informal settlers occupying public lands;

WHEREAS, the Bases Conversion Development Authority (BCDA), a government corporation created under Republic Act No. 7227, accelerated the conversion of the military reservations into other productive uses, and pursuant to the same law, was given the authority to dispose of these military camp to provide funds for their development and conversion to productive civilian use;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7227, transferred to BCDA the ownership, administration and control of a substantial portion of Fort Bonifacio consisting of 723.3 hectares;

WHEREAS, a portion of the Fort Bonifacio property consisting of 119 hectares has been designated as the Bonifacio Housing and Information Technology Zone (BHIT Zone) pursuant to the Master Development Plan for the area which was updated pursuant to A.O. No. 25, series of 1998;

WHEREAS, portions of the said BHIT Zone are currently occupied by informal dwellers;

WHEREAS, another portion of the Fort Bonifacio property identified as Lupang Katuparan covering an area of approximately 48 hectares is currently being developed as land-based housing site to accommodate the families to be affected by BCDA Projects; WHEREAS, the Pamayanang Diego Silang area located along the C-5 Road with a total of 2,880 units in 5-storey medium rise buildings spread out over 23.86 hectares was developed for socialized housing purposes primarily to accommodate the families to be affected by BCDA Project as well as military, BCDA and PNP/DILG/NAPOLCOM personnel;

WHEREAS, the area known as Philippine Centennial Village located along the C-5 Road with a total of 1,140 units in 5-storey medium rise buildings covering 13.08 hectares was developed for socialized housing purposes primarily to accommodate the families to be affected by BCDA Projects.

WHEREAS, the BCDA as contained in its Board Resolution No. 2002-01-011 has signified its approval to dispose of approximately 35 hectares of occupied portions of the BHIT Zone, Pamayanang Diego Silang covering 13.08 hectares, including 2,880 residential units in medium rise buildings, Philippine Village Centennial Village covering 23.86 hectares including 1,140 residential units in medium rise buildings, and approximately 48 hectares at Lupang Katuparan, to qualified occupants and beneficiaries.

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

SECTION 1. Declaration as Socialized Housing Sites. — In view of the need of informal settlers to acquire home ownership and shelter security, the following portions of BCDA's property located in Fort Bonifacio and its environs are hereby declared as socialized housing sites open for disposition to qualified occupants and beneficiaries:

a) A portion of the BHIT Zone Property

35.00 hectares

b) Lupang Katuparan

48.00 hectares

c) Pamayanang Diego Silang

23.86 hectares

d) Philippine Centennial Village Total

13.08 hectares