[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 434, August 20, 1997]

AMENDING SECTIONS 2 AND 4 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 3 (DATED 7 JULY 1992), AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order No. 3, dated 7 July 1992, the Presidential Anti-Crime Commission (PACC) was created with the principal task of directing and coordinating the activities of various law enforcement agencies to effect a more vigorous campaign against criminality;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 221 dated 23 January 1995 was issued amending Executive Order No. 3, dated 7 July 1992, and clarifying the authority and extent of the powers and functions of the PACC;

WHEREAS, Administrative Order No. 219 dated 4 October 1995 was issued delineating the functions, powers and jurisdictions of the PACC, the National Peace and Order Council, the National Law Enforcement Coordinating Committee and their implementing agencies;

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need for the PACC to concentrate its anti-criminality campaign on certain offenses like violations of the Dangerous Drugs Act (R.A. 6425, as amended), plunder (R.A. 7080, as amended), and other heinous crimes deemed in R.A. 7659; and

WHEREAS, in view of the resignation of the Vice-President as PACC Chairman, there is also now a need to reconstitute the composition of the PACC

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. Section 2 of Executive Order No. 3, dated 7 July 1992, as amended, is hereby amended as follows:

"Sec. 2. Composition. – The Commission shall be composed of the Secretary of Justice as Chairman the Secretary of Interior and Local Government as Vice-Chairman; the Chief Presidential Legal Counsel as Co-Vice-Chairman; and two representatives of non-government organizations (NGO) which are involved in crime prevention and designated by the President upon recommendation of the Chairman."

SECTION 2. Section 4 of the same Executive Order is amended as follows:

- "Sec. 4. OFFENSES COVERED. In the discharge of its functions, the Commission shall have the authority to take cognizance of the following crimes:
- a. Those committed by organized/syndicated crime groups, including but not limited to: gunrunning, illegal logging, robbery, kidnapping for ransom, white slave trade, illegal recruitment, carnapping, smuggling, piracy, drug-trafficking, falsification of land titles and other government forms, large scale swindling, film piracy, counterfeiting and bank frauds.