

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 236, April 29, 2000]

**ATTACHING THE NATIONAL FOOD SECURITY COUNCIL AND THE
NATIONAL SECRETARIAT ON FOOD SECURITY TO THE
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE
EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 86, SERIES OF 1999**

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 86, series of 1999, constituted the National Food Security Council under the chairmanship of the President of the Philippines to act as the overall coordinating body in the formulation of policy guidelines and masterplans and programs, as well as in the implementation of projects that will ensure the attainment of the national vision, mission, goals, objectives and targets of a workable and sustainable Food Security Program;

WHEREAS, Section 2, Chapter I, Title IV, Book IV of the Administrative Code of 1987 mandates the Department of Agriculture to plan, formulate, execute, regulate, and monitor programs and activities relating to agriculture, food production and supply; and

WHEREAS, Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987 vests upon the President of the Philippines the continuing authority to reorganize his Office.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH EJERCITO ESTRADA, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and existing laws, do hereby order:

Section 1. Attachment of the National Food Security Council and the National Secretariat on Food Security to the Department of Agriculture. The National Food Security Council, hereinafter referred to as the Council, and the National Secretariat on Food Security, hereinafter referred to as the Secretariat, shall not be attached to the Department of Agriculture to facilitate policy and program coordination and implementation.

Section 2. Secretary of Agriculture as Chairman of the Council. The Secretary of Agriculture shall serve as the Chairman of the Council. However, the composition of the Council as embodied in Section 2 of Executive Order No. 86, series of 1999, shall remain the same.

Section 3. Reconstitution of the Secretariat. The Secretary of Agriculture shall recommend to the President the reconstitution of the Secretariat.

Section 4. Funding. Funding for the operations of the Secretariat shall be included in the annual budget of the Department of Agriculture.

Section 5. Reporting Requirements. The Council shall submit quarterly reports