

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 296, October 03, 2000]

**INTEGRATING THE PERSONNEL, PROGRAMS AND RESOURCES OF
THE NATIONAL STUD FARM WITH OTHER UNITS/AGENCIES OF
THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

WHEREAS, it is Government's policy to streamline its bureaucracy to attain higher efficiency, economy and effectiveness in its operations;

WHEREAS, the Department of Agriculture actively pursues this policy and is continuously reviewing its structure and operations to more effectively meet this objective;

WHEREAS, within the Department of Agriculture, there are units and agencies, personnel, programs and resources of which could be integrated to attain higher levels of productivity;

WHEREAS, the National Stud Farm, the Bureau of Animal Industry and the Bureau of Agriculture and Fishery Standards are agencies with complementary and crucial programs and concerns and which could be integrated consistent with the above goals.

WHEREAS, it is imperative that even with integration, the regulatory and other functions of the National Stud Farm must be discharged;

WHEREAS, there are humanitarian considerations in the implementation of the integration.

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

SECTION 1. The personnel programs, assets and resources of the National Stud Farm are hereby transferred to the Bureau of Animal Industry and the Bureau of Agriculture and Fishery Standards and other agencies of the Department.

SECTION 2. The Secretary of Agriculture is hereby authorized to determine who, and what programs, assets and resources, will be transferred to which agency.

SECTION 3. The Secretary of Agriculture shall undertake the necessary steps to effect the integration and ensure the continuity of relevant programs and functions of the NSF and the protection of the interests of the personnel who will be transferred.

SECTION 4. The Department of Budget and Management is instructed to