

**[BOC CUSTOMS MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO.
419-98, December 22, 1998]**

**BROADENING THE POWERS OF THE SECRETARY OF FINANCE
OVER THE BUREAU OF CUSTOMS**

Attached is the letter dated December 11, 1998 of Director Aurora T. Aquino, Office of the President, Malacañang, endorsing the Executive Order No. 47 issued on December 8, 1998, BROADENING THE POWERS OF THE SECRETARY OF FINANCE OVER THE BUREAU OF CUSTOMS.

For your information.

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Executive Order No. 47*

**Broadening the Powers of the Secretary of Finance Over the Bureau of
Customs**

WHEREAS, it is the declared policy of the State to promote efficiency in collection of taxes and customs duties;

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Customs performs a major role in the collection of revenues for the government;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 39, Series of 1986 enlarged the powers and functions of the Commissioner of Customs by authorizing him the following:

- a) To appoint Bureau personnel, except those appointed by the President;
- b) To discipline, suspend, dismiss or otherwise penalize erring Bureau officers and employees;
- c) To act on all matters pertaining to promotion, transfer, detail, reassignment, reemployment and other personal action, involving officers and employees of the Bureau of Customs.

WHEREAS, the Department of Finance is mandated to be primarily responsible for the sound and efficient collection of government revenues;

WHEREAS, it is indispensable for the Department of Finance to have full supervision