

**[LETTER OF IMPLEMENTATION NO. 114,
December 31, 1979]**

WHEREAS, Letter of Instructions No. 896 has laid down the new thrust and direction of the Southern Philippines Development Administration by providing that it shall undertake essentially developmental and economically viable ventures, including effective support of the policy and program priorities of the Autonomous Regions;

WHEREAS, complementary to this new thrust, Letter of Instructions No. 896 also provided that the social development functions and non-corporate projects of the Southern Philippines Development Administration shall be transferred to the appropriate agencies of the government to be determined jointly by the Southern Philippines Development Administration, the Presidential Commission on Reorganization and the agencies concerned;

WHEREAS, in compliance with, the mandate of LOI 896, the abovenamed agencies have, on the basis of studies conducted, submitted their recommendations affecting the transfer of these social development functions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, do hereby direct as follows:

1. The following functions and activities presently undertaken by the Southern Philippines Development Administration are hereby transferred to the following government agencies and entities:

(a) The Ministry of Social Services and Development shall take over the functions relating to the rehabilitation of evacuees, refugees and rebel-returnees, the extension to them of transportation assistance and emergency food and clothing assistance, and provisions for emergency shelters and bunkhouses;

(b) The Ministry of Human Settlements shall take over the functions involving life systems support in resettlement relocation sites;

(c) The Office of the Commissioner for Islamic Affairs shall take over the functions relating to the construction repair and renovation of madrasahs and Muslim cultural centers, the issuance of certification to members of the Muslim cultural communities and the publication of Island' literature;

(d) The National Cottage Industries Development Authority (NACIDA) shall take over the cottage industry projects established by Southern Philippines Development Administration .outside of Regions IX, X, XI, and XII;

(e) The Lupong Tagapagpaganap ng Pook for Regions IX and XII shall take over the functions relating to the approval of conveyances and encumbrances involving members of Muslim cultural communities and the settlement of their land conflicts; provided that these functions shall be exercised by