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## MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

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2 ALL CHIEFS OF DEPARTMENTS, AND STAFFS; CHIEF, SECURITY SERVICES; CASHLERS AND DISBURSING OFFICERS; REGIONAL, FROVIN-GIAL AND FROJECT IRRIGATION ENGINEERS; IRRIGATION SUPERINTENDENTS AND/OR OFFICERS-IN-CHARGE OF IRRIGATION SYSTEMS; HEADS OF SPECIAL FROJECTS; AND ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

National Irrigation Administration

SUBJECT

: Carrying of Firearms as per General Order Nos. 6 and 7 of the President of the Philippines

Quoted hereunder for the information, guidance and compliance of all concerned General Order Nos. 6 and 7 of the President of the Philippines dated September 22 and September 23, 1972 respectively:

"WHEREAS, in order to restore the tranquility and stability of the nation and secure the people from violence, injuries and loss of lives in the quickest possible manner and time, it is necessary to prohibit the inhabitants of the country from keeping any firearm without a permit duly and legally issued for that purpose as well as to prohibit the carrying of such firearm outside the residence of the duly licensed holder thereof;"

"NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ferdinand E. Marcos, Commander in-Ghief of all the Armed Forces of the Philippines, and pursuant to Proclamation No. 1081 dated September 21, 1972, do hereby order that henceforth and until otherwise ordered by me or by my duly designated representative, no person shall keep, possess or carry outside of his residence any firearm unless such person is duly authorized to keep, possess or carry such firearm and any person violating this order shall forthwith be arrested and taken into custody and held for the duration of the emergency unless ordered released by me or by my duly designated representative."

"1. Only officers and men of the Armed Forces of the Philippines and police officers in the actual performance of official mission or duty shall be allowed to carry firearms outside residence;"

<sup>2</sup>2. Guards of private security agencies and public or private corporations of firms are authorized to carry their duly licensed firearms only from the premises or the offices of such agencies, corporations or firms to their place of work and return. Security Guards should not carry firearms higher than 12 gauge shotguns, caliber .22 rifles or caliber .38 pistols or revolvers. In no case should these firearms be carried outside the aforementioned places. Security agencies shall established a depository of firearms within their offices and in the premises of places of work of their guards. All high-powered firearms of private security agencies and company guards must be deposited with the firearms and Explosive Unit, Philippine Constabulary, or the nearest Provincial Headquarters."

In view of the above general orders, all concerned are hereby directed to comply with said general orders immediately. NTA Officials, Cashiers and/or Disbursing Officers should surrender their firearms for deposit to the nearest Philippine Constabulary Officer in the locality. For the purpose of transacting business with depository banks, Cashiers and Special Disbursing Officers shall request for security escort-details when going out on official business. Said security escort details should have the necessary mission order properly accomplished and signed by the Officer-in-Charge providing details.

Attached herewith is the format of the mission order to be accomplished. Aside from the said mission order, members of the security escort-details must also have the necessary permit to carry firearms.

Strict and immediate compliance hereon is enjoined.

ALFREDE

Administrator

October 17, 1972

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