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PAMBANSANG PANGASIWAAN NG PATUBIG
(National Irrigation Administration)
Lungsod ng Quezon

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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

T O : THE DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR, ASSISTANT
ADMINISTRATORS, DEPARTMENT MANAGERS,
STAFF HEADS, REGIONAL IRRIGATION
MANAGERS, OPERATIONS/PROJECT MANAGERS,
IRRIGATION SUPERINTENDENTS, PROVINCIAL
IRRIGATION OFFICERS,
AND ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

SUBJECT : Memorandum Circular No. 52, s. 1993 from the
President dated June 2, 1993.

Quoted hereunder in full is Memorandum Circular No. 52,
s. 1993 for your information and guidance.

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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 52

CALLING ATTENTION TO AND ENJOINING STRICT COMPLIANCE
WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF
1991 (R.A. No. 7160) REQUIRING MANDATORY COORDINATION
AND CONSULTATION WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS, NON-
GOVERNMENTAL AND PEOPLE'S ORGANIZATIONS AND OTHER
CONCERNED SECTORS

Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local
Government Code of 1991, provides in Sections 2(c), 26 and
27 that:

"SEC. 2. Declaration of Policy. - x x x

(c) It is likewise the policy of the State to
require all national agencies and offices to conduct
periodic consultations with appropriate local government
units, non-governmental and people's organizations, and
other concerned sectors of the community before any
project or program is implemented in their respective
jurisdictions."

"SEC. 26. Duty of National Government Agencies in the Maintenance of Ecological Balance. - It shall be the duty of every national agency or government-owned or controlled corporation authorizing or involved in the planning and implementation of any project or program that may cause pollution, climatic change, depletion of non-renewable resources, loss of crop land, rengeland, or forest cover, and extinction of animal or plant species, to consult with the local government units, non-governmental organizations, and other sectors concerned and explain the goals and objectives of the project or program, its impact upon the people and the community in terms of environmental or ecological balance, and the measures that will be undertaken to prevent or minimize the adverse effects thereof."

"SEC. 27. Prior Consultations Required. - No project or program shall be implemented by government authorities unless the consultations mentioned in Sections 2(c) and 26 hereof are complied with, and prior approval of the sanggunian concerned is obtained: Provided, That occupants in areas where such projects are to be implemented shall not be evicted unless appropriate relocation sites have been provided, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution."

Accordingly, all officers and employees of national government agencies and offices, including concerned government owned and controlled corporations are hereby enjoined to strictly comply with the foregoing provisions of the Local Government Code as well as the pertinent provisions of its Implementing Rules and Regulations.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 2nd day of June in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

(SGD.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

(SGD.) EDELMIRO A. AMANTE, SR.
Executive Secretary"

For immediate and strict compliance.

(SGD.) APOLONIO V. BAUTISTA
Administrator

5 July 1993