MC # ___29___ s., 1999

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

TO : THE DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR, ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATORS, DEPARTMENT MANAGERS, REGIONAL IRRIGATION MANAGERS, PROJECT/OPERATION MANAGERS, PROVINCIAL IRRIGATION OFFICERS AND IRRIGATION SUPERINTENDENTS AND ALL OTHERS CONCERNED
This Agency

SUBJECT : **CONDUCT OF PROPER CONSULTATION AND COORDINATION WITH LOCAL CHIEF EXECUTIVES AND CONGRESSMEN ON VARIOUS PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS**

This is to reiterate MC # 7 s. 1999 dated March 12, 1999 enjoining all concerned officials of the Agency to strictly maintain closer coordination with the Local Chief Executives (LCEs) and Congressmen on various projects of NIA in their area of jurisdiction.

Our attention has been called by many Congressmen that NIA has been remiss in coordinating with them the projects we are implementing in their districts which is in violation of certain provisions in the General Appropriations Act (GAA). Section 85 of the General Provisions in the GAA, FY 1999 states that:

"Sec. 85. **Implementing Agency for Nationally Funded Projects.** Pursuant to Sec. 17 of R.A. No. 7160, the Local Government Code of 1991, projects, facilities, programs and services funded under the General Appropriations Act shall be implemented by the appropriate national government department or agency irrespective of the nature and location of such projects, facilities, programs and services: PROVIDED, That a memorandum of agreement may be entered into with the implementing national government agency and the beneficiary LGU, designating the latter or any other local government unit with demonstrated capability to undertake the project or activity by themselves with the concurrence of the representative of the legislative district concerned."

In view of the above, you are hereby directed to strictly comply with such provision and the guidelines/procedures stated in MC # 7 s. 1999.

MANUEL ANTONIO S. AREVALO
Administrator

Sept. 9, 1999