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**MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR**

TO : THE DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR, ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATORS, DEPARTMENT / REGIONAL IRRIGATION / PROJECT / OPERATIONS/ FINANCE MANAGERS, STAFFS, PROVINCIAL IRRIGATION ENGINEERS, IRRIGATION SUPERINTENDENTS, COA PERSONNEL AND ALL OTHERS CONCERNED.

SUBJECT : MEMORANDUM FROM THE SECRETARY LEONARDO Q. MONTEMAYOR DATED AUGUST 21, 2002.

Quoted hereunder in full for the information and guidance of all concerned is the Memorandum dated August 21, 2002 to wit:

**"DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE"**  
Office of the Secretary

21 August 2002

**MEMORANDUM**

TO : ADMINISTRATOR JESUS EMMANUEL M. PARAS  
National Irrigation Administrator

SUBJECT : PROVISION OF IRRIGATION WATER IN THE QUICK-TURN-AROUND PLANTING TARGETS.

The Ginintuang Masaganang Ani (GMA) Rice program has devised a "Quick-Turn-Around" planting strategy to compensate for possible production loss in rice brought about by prolonged drought and subsequent floods caused by typhoons.

This strategy would encourage the farmers who planted early during the wet season cropping (April-October, 2002) to immediately plant rice one to two weeks after harvest. In order to attain the increase in yield per hectare and additional rice production this year, sufficient and timely availability of irrigation water must be provided by your office in the target areas. As such, please ensure that irrigation will be available during this period. Further, please advise your Regional NIA Managers to coordinate with the Regional Executive Directors regarding the implementation of the said project.

For strict compliance.

(SGD) LEONARDO Q. MONTEMAYOR  
Secretary

Please be guided accordingly.

  
JESUS EMMANUEL M. PARAS  
Administrator

September 4, 2002