[ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO.33, September 16, 2020]

EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE FOR THE UNIFIED IMPLEMENTATION AND MONITORING OF REHABILITATION AND RECOVERY PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS IN THE YOLANDA-AFFECTED AREAS (IATF-YOLANDA), AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER (AO) NO. 5(S.2017)

WHEREAS, on 08 November 2013, Category 5 Typhoon Yolanda (also known as typhoon Haiyan), considered as one of the largest and strongest typhoons ever recorded at landfall, caused massive storm surges that ravaged coastal communities, claimed thousands of lives and displaced millions of people, especially in the areas of Eastern Samar, Eastern Visayas, northern part of Central Visayas, Western Visayas and Northern Palawan;

WHEREAS, to ensure efficient and effective coordination between various government agencies and instrumentalities involved in the rehabilitation and recovery projects and programs in areas affected by the Typhoon Yolanda, AO No. 5 created the IATF-Yolanda, which shall have a term of three (3) years from the effectivity of the AO on 12 August 2017, or until 12 August 2020;

WHEREAS, the Yolanda Comprehensive Rehabilitation and Recovery Plan (YCRRP) articulated the over-all strategic vision, and integrated short-, medium- and long-term programs in the Yolanda-affected areas;

WHEREAS, under the Yolanda Permanent Housing Program (YPHP), which is an integral component of the YCRRP, 129,484 housing units have been completed while 49, 112 are undergoing construction (89.3% combined accomplishment rate), and 241 out of the 363 permanent resettlement projects have been energized (66% electrification rate);

WHEREAS, the YPHP aims to build houses and create livable, thriving and disasterresilient communities under a township approach where resettlement sites shall be provided not only with the basic necessities of water and electricity but also with social infrastructures such as daycare centers, health centers and school buildings within or nearby the housing project sites;

WHEREAS, to facilitate the completion of the above projects, as well as the other component programs in the YCRRP, there is a need to extend the term of the IATF-Yolanda; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 17, Article VII of the Constitution, the President shall have control of all the executive departments, bureaus and offices;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and existing laws, do hereby