

[ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 67, May 11, 1999]

**REORGANIZING THE COORDINATING COUNCIL OF THE
PHILIPPINE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND CONVERTING IT INTO
THE COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR PRIVATE SECTOR
PARTICIPATION**

WHEREAS, the Coordinating Council of the Philippine Assistance Program (CCPAP) was created under Administrative Order No. 105, s. of 1989 to take the lead role in coordinating efforts to effectively mobilize international aid and to ensure its successful implementation;

WHEREAS, CCPAP has played an active role in the promotion and facilitation of private sector participation in infrastructure development, with the CCPAP Chairman designated as the BOT Action Officer by virtue of Memorandum Order No. 166, s. of 1993;

WHEREAS, CCPAP is the central body responsible for the coordination and monitoring of projects implemented under Republic Act No. 7718 or the Amended BOT Law;

WHEREAS, pursuant to R.A. No. 7718 or the Amended BOT Law, projects which would have difficulty in sourcing funds may be financed partly from direct government appropriations and/or from Official Development Assistance (ODA) not exceeding fifty percent (50%) of the project cost;

WHEREAS, the ODA Act of 1996 (Republic Act No. 8182, as amended) underscores the oversight and coordination functions of the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) in the programming, implementation, and evaluation of all projects financed by ODA;

WHEREAS, NEDA is the central planning agency for social and economic development, and in the exercise of said function, formulates and recommends to the President and the NEDA Board investment and infrastructure development policies and programs consistent with national development objectives and priorities;

WHEREAS, there is a need to achieve increased efficiency and effectiveness in ODA-related activities, and to rationalize the institutional framework to support private sector participation in infrastructures and other development activities as a cornerstone strategy of the national development plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH EJERCITO ESTRADA, President of the Republic of the Philippines, pursuant to the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Reorganization of the Coordinating Council of the Philippine Assistance Program – The Coordinating Council of the Philippine Assistance Program shall be

converted into the Coordinating Council for Private Sector Participation, hereinafter referred to as the Council, and shall be composed of the following:

- The Secretary of Socio-Economic Planning
- The Secretary of Finance
- The Secretary of Foreign Affairs
- The Secretary of Justice
- The Secretary of Agriculture
- The Secretary of Public Works and Highways
- The Secretary of Trade and Industry
- The Secretary of Energy
- The Secretary of Interior and Local Government
- The Executive Secretary
- The Secretary of Transportation and Communications
- The Secretary of Budget and Management
- The Governor of the *Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas*
- The Representative of the Senate to be designated by the Senate President
- The Representative of the House of Representatives to be designated by the Speaker of the House
- Four representatives from the private sector to be appointed by the President

The Council may invite any individual or call on any departments, bureaus, offices and instrumentalities of the government for appropriate assistance.

SECTION 2. The Chairman and the Secretary – The Secretary of Socio-Economic Planning shall serve ex officio as the Chairman of the Council. The Secretary of the Council shall be the Executive Director, with the rank of Undersecretary, of the Technical Secretariat to the Council, who shall be appointed by the President of the Philippines.

SECTION 3. Powers and Functions of the Council – The Council shall:

- a) Coordinate and monitor the program of the government on private sector participation, hereinafter referred to as PSP, in its infrastructure and other development activities;
- b) Formulate and recommend policies and guidelines that will ensure transparent and expeditious implementation of PSP programs and projects of the government;
- c) Prepare and submit to the President and to Congress reports on the implementation of the PSP programs and projects of the government;
- d) Coordinate project facilitation tasks for PSP projects; and
- e) Perform such other duties and functions that the President may, by order assign.

SECTION 4. Technical Secretariat – The existing Technical Office of the CCPAP, presently headed by an Executive Director and consisting of the ODA Unit, the BOT