[ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 140, August 09, 1994]

REACTIVATING THE FACT-FINDING COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE THE ALLEGED ANOMALIES IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DUTCH RURAL DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, there have been allegations of anomalies in the disposition and implementation by the DAR of the Dutch Rural Development Assistance Program;

WHEREAS, in view thereof, Administrative Order No. 49 was issued on April 23, 1993 creating a Fact Finding Committee which had already submitted its report to the Office of the President;

WHEREAS, there are allegations of anomalies in the disposition of funds to the other DRDAP Projects, which were not previously investigated by the said Fact Finding Committee:

WHEREAS, there is a need to further determine the veracity of said allegations in order that the appropriate corrective measures be undertaken;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. The Fact Finding Committee created under Administrative Order No. 49 is hereby reactivated to be composed of the following:

Chairman: Atty. HECTOR D. SOLIMAN

Assistant Secretary, DAR

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Chairman : Atty. Carlos de Leon

Senior State Prosecutor, DOJ

3 Members from the DAR and 2 Members from the DOJ

Sec. 2. The Fact-Finding Committee shall have the following powers and functions:

- 1. To investigate the alleged anomalies and determine all the facts and circumstances regarding the implementation of the 520 M. Dutch Rural Development Assistance Program;
- 2. To exercise the powers of an investigating body under Section 33, Chapter 9, Book I of the Administrative Code of 1987, including the power to summon witnesses, administer oath, take testimony or evidence relevant to the investigation, and to issue compulsory processes to produce documents, books, records and such other matters, in the performance of its functions;