[ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 88, August 26, 1988]

TRANSFERRING THE NATIONAL NUTRITION COUNCIL FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 234, series of 1987, transferred the National Nutrition Council (NNC), as an attached agency of the Department of Agriculture, to the Department of Social Welfare and Development;

WHEREAS, the nutritional needs of the population relate primarily to food production and agricultural development;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to adopt a unified policy direction and a rational approach to the problem of malnutrition, undernutrition and inadequate food production;

WHEREAS, the Department of Agriculture is the government agency responsible for the increase in agricultural food production and supply; and

WHEREAS, Section 27 of EO No. 116 in relation to Section 25 of EO No. 123, both series of 1987, authorize changes in the reorganization of the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Social Welfare and Development, respectively, to promote efficiency and effectiveness in the delivery of public services, subject to the approval of the President.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CORAZON C. AQUINO, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Attachment – The NNC shall be transferred from the Department of Social Welfare and Development to the Department of Agriculture. The transfer shall include the appropriation, funds, records, equipment and facilities.

SECTION 2. The representative of the Department of Agriculture in the Governing Board of the NNC shall be the Chairman of the Council, in lieu of the representative of the Department of Social Welfare and Development.

SECTION 3. Except as herein provided, and subject to the provisions of EO No. 234, series of 1987, there shall be no change in the existing structure and staffing pattern of the Council.

SECTION 4. This Administrative Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 26th day of August, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty-eight.