

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 464, January 26, 1998]

GOVERNING THE ADMISSION AND STAY OF FOREIGN NATIONALS IN THE CLARK SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE AS TEMPORARY VISITORS

WHEREAS, it is declared national policy to attract and promote foreign trade, investment and tourism in the country especially in the special economic zones such as Clark Special Economic Zone ("EcoZone") to promote economic growth and national development.

WHEREAS, it is expected that visits to the Clark EcoZone by foreign nationals for business, tourism and recreation purposes will increase significantly due to the development, and the growing attraction of the Clark EcoZone as an investment, tourism, recreational and industrial destination;

WHEREAS, the Clark International Airport has likewise attracted interest from international airlines as a destination point for chartered and commercial flights which will contribute immensely to the development of the Clark EcoZone, the Central Luzon Region, the entire Philippines and ultimately the entire Asian Region;

WHEREAS, it is crucial to allow uncomplicated access to the Secured Area of the Clark EcoZone as defined in relevant issuances for foreign nationals in order to realize the above-declared national policy.

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

SECTION 1. Foreign nationals, not categorized as "restricted" as determined by the DFA, visiting the Clark EcoZone for business and/or tourism purposes may be allowed to enter all ports of entry of the Clark ECOZONE and stay at herein without visa for a maximum period of fourteen (14) days; provided that upon arrival, they present their passports, Certificates of Identity or travel documents valid for at least six (6) months beyond the intended stay in the Clark EcoZone and confirmed onward flight tickets. The determination of the identity and admissibility of the foreign national seeking to enter the Clark EcoZone under this Executive Order shall be the primary responsibility of the Bureau of Immigration (BI).

SECTION 2. Foreign nationals who enter the Clark EcoZone under this Executive Order shall be subject to the following restrictions:

- a. they shall leave or depart from the Philippines only through the Clark International Airport except as hereinafter provided;
- b. they shall not be allowed outside the Secured Area of the Clark EcoZone, except to visit areas outside the Secured Area but within the Clark EcoZone, provided, that