

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 452, October 24, 1997]

PROVIDING FOR THE GUIDELINES THAT WILL ENSURE THE SECURITY OF REGISTERED VENDORS IN THE WORKPLACE

WHEREAS, it has been a declared policy of the state to pursue an all-out war against poverty and to improve the quality of life of every Filipino as embodied in Philippines 2000 and the Philippine Medium Term Development Plan;

WHEREAS, the Social Reform Agenda (SRA), as the operationalization of the people empowerment track of the Philippines 2000, has been expanded to become the Integrated National Action Agenda on Anti-Poverty as adopted during the National anti-Poverty Summit held last 19-20 March 1996;

WHEREAS, the SRA addresses the problems of the poorest sectors of our society, including vendors who form part of the disadvantaged workers in the Informal Sector;

WHEREAS, consistent with the tenets of Social Reform, there is an urgent need to protect the vendors from being deprived of their livelihood as well as the rights of consumers and citizens from any negative effects that the vending industry may have on the environment and on the welfare of the public in general.

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 the adoption of the guidelines that will ensure the security of registered vendors in the workplace:

SECTION 1. Creation and Composition of the Inter-Agency Council on the Security of Registered Vendors. – An Inter-Agency Council on the Security of Registered Vendors, hereinafter referred to as the Council, is hereby created to formulate and implement policies and programs that will provide security to registered vendors in the workplace nationwide. The Council shall be chaired by the Secretary of the Interior and Local Government and composed of representatives of the following:

- a. Philippine National Police (PNP);
- b. Department of Trade and Industry (DTI);
- c. Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE);
- d. Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA);
- e. One (1) representative each from the League of Provinces, Cities and Municipalities, the Philippine Councilors' League; and,