[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 239, April 24, 1995]

DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE LOPEZ PORT ZONE UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINES PORTS AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the Port of Lopez has been identified as one of the major ports to be developed in the country;

WHEREAS, there is a need to construct the Port of Lopez to accommodate projected increases in port traffic and to program the provision of the necessary port facilities to meet the demands of maritime commerce and trade within the region;

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. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Lopez is hereby delineated and particularly described as follows:

"Beginning at point marked 1 on the plan, thence to point 2 at a distance of 2,500.00 m with bearing N 29°58′54″E, thence to point 3 at a distance of 5,000.00 m with bearing S 60°1′6″E, thence to point 4 at a distance of 2,500.00 m with bearing N 29°58′54″E, thence to point 1, the point bearing of beginning at a distance of 5,000.00 m with bearing S 60°1′6″E, all in all comprising a total area of 1,250.00 hectares more or less."

SEC. 2. The Lopez Port Zone is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the Government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port pursuant to Presidential Decree No. 857, as amended.

SEC. 3. All other orders, proclamations, and issuances, or portions thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 4. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 24th day of April, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety five.

(Sgd.) **FIDEL V. RAMOS** President of the Philippines

By the President:

(Sgd.) **TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.** Executive Secretary