

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 88, May 12, 1993]

**AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 81 DATED 12 APRIL 1993
AND TRANSFERRING THE FUNCTIONS PROVIDED THEREIN TO
THE NATIONAL RECONCILIATION AND DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
FROM THE NATIONAL UNIFICATION COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 81 dated 12 April 1993 prescribed additional functions to the National Unification Commission (NUC) in response to the recommendation of both Houses of Congress as embodied in its Concurrent Resolution No. 05 adopted in March 1993 to put into effect the mechanics of the President's grant of amnesty under Proclamation No. 10, as amended by Proclamation No. 10-A, both issued in July 1992;

WHEREAS, the additional tasks provided in Executive Order No. 81 may be beyond the logistical and technical capabilities of the NUC and may seriously distract from its primary function of formulating recommendations for a peace process;

WHEREAS, the National Reconciliation and Development Council (NRDC) was created by virtue of Executive Order No. 103 dated 24 December 1986 to coordinate the National Reconciliation and Development Program (NRDP) of the Government; and

WHEREAS, the Presidential grant of amnesty is an important component of the NRDP and its implementation fully within the mandate of the NRDC.

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 that:

Section 1. The following functions are hereby transferred to the National Reconciliation and Development Council from the National Unification Commission:

- a. Undertake a physical inventory of the more than 4,000 applicants whose applications for amnesty, filed not later than 31 December 1992, have already been processed or are undergoing processing;
- b. Determine the crimes for which the applicant voluntarily sought amnesty; and
- c. Recommend to the President the qualified applicants to be granted amnesty.

Section 2. The NRDC may create a Technical Committee to assist it in the performance of the foregoing functions.

Section 3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 12th day of May in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen