

**[ EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 410, July 03, 1990 ]**

**PROVIDING FOR NEW GUIDELINES FOR THE PROCESSING OF APPLICATIONS FOR PORT ZONE DELINEATION**

WHEREAS, Section 2, Article II, of Presidential Decree No. 857, provides that:

"Declaration of Policies and Objectives - It is hereby declared to be the policy of the State to implement an integrated program for the planning, development, financing, and operation of Ports or Port District for the entire country in accordance with the following objectives:

x x x

c) To promote regional development through the dispersal of industries and commercial activities throughout the different regions.

x x x

e) To redirect and reorganize port administration beyond its specific and traditional functions of harbor development and cargo handling operations to the broader functions of total port district development, including encouraging the full and efficient utilization of the Port's hinterland and tributary areas."

WHEREAS, Sec. 5, Article IV, of Presidential Decree No. 857, further state that:

"Port District. - The Authority may, from time to time submit to the President through the National Economic and Development Authority, applications for the declaration of specific areas as Port Districts. Such applications shall be accompanied by a survey plan indicating the geographical location of the area or areas to be declared as Port District with their respective boundaries properly delineated."

WHEREAS, consistent with the aforesaid policies and objectives, the Regional Development Councils may participate in the review and processing of applications for port zone delineation so that the same may be aligned with their respective regional development plans;

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. All applications for port zone delineation shall henceforth be reviewed by the Regional Development Councils covering the areas subject of the said applications.