

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 208, July 01, 1987]

CREATING THE CEBU UPLAND PROJECT OFFICE AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR.

WHEREAS, an upland development project on grant basis for the Province of Cebu has been agreed upon by the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany and the Republic of the Philippines on July 3, 1986;

WHEREAS, to pursue the objectives of the aforesaid project, a project office must be created;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CORAZON C. AQUINO, President of the Philippines, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. *Creation of the Cebu Upland Project Office.* - There is hereby created a Cebu Upland Project Office hereinafter referred to as the Project Office. The Project Office shall be attached to the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).

SEC. 2. *Executive Committee.* - The Project Office shall have an Executive Committee which shall be composed of the Governor of Cebu Province as Chairman, and the three municipal mayors of Alcoy, Boljoon and Oslob, the National Economic and Development Authority Regional Executive Director, the Department of Agriculture Regional Director, the Director of the Forest Management Bureau, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources Assistant Secretary for Foreign Assisted and Special Projects, the Project Director, the Gessellschaft fuer Technische Zusammernarbeit (GTZ) Team Leader and the Chairman of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan Committee on Finance and Appropriations of the Province of Cebu as members. All except the latter three are voting-members.

In case of the absence and/or incapacity of the Chairman, the majority of the voting members shall choose from among themselves the interim Chairman.

The Executive Committee shall have the following functions:

- (a) Develop and prescribe policies, and operating guidelines for planning, programming and implementation of the Project;
- (b) Appoint, discipline and remove personnel of the field staff of the Project Office;
- (c) Review and approve the annual work programs and budgets;
- (d) Subject to existing laws, rules and regulations, review and approve all consultancy contracts as well as memoranda of

agreement with government implementing agencies to be entered into by the Project Director: *Provided*, That the final authority to enter into specific types of contracts shall be delegated to the Project Director;

- (e) Perform such other related functions and adopt measures as may be necessary to ensure the speedy and effective implementation of the project.

SEC. 3. *Organization and Functions of the Project Office.* - The Project Office shall be responsible for the implementation of the Project. Specifically it shall perform, among others, the following:

- (a) Receive and manage financial contributions from cooperating agencies;
- (b) Prepare a detailed plan of operation in accordance with the agreement set forth by the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany and the Republic of the Philippines and implement the same;
- (c) Upgrade the capabilities of technical persons directly involved in development activities for the Project sites;
- (d) Submit to the Executive Committee quarterly progress reports and special reports as required; and
- (e) Perform such other related functions as may be necessary in carrying out the objectives of the Project.

SEC. 4. *Project Director.* - The Project Office shall be headed by a Project Director, to be appointed by the President upon recommendation of the Executive Committee, who is directly responsible to the Executive Committee and shall exercise the following:

- (a) Execute the policies, guidelines and decisions of the Executive Committee as well as implement those powers delegated to him by the Executive Committee;
- (b) Organize and manage the Project Office;
- (c) Appoint additional staff with work program duly approved by the Executive Committee;
- (d) Enter into and sign in behalf of the Project Office contracts with private and public entities in connection with the functions of the Project Office, including memoranda of agreement with pertinent government agencies, as approved by or under delegated authority from the Executive Committee;
- (e) Disburse and administer the funds of the Project Office based on the approved budget and work program and in accordance