

**[ EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 79, December 02, 1986 ]**

**PROVIDING GUIDELINES ON THE TOUR OF ACTIVE DUTY OF  
RESERVE OFFICERS AND STRENGTHENING THEIR SECURITY OF  
TENURE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, to prevent the demoralization of reserve officers, it is necessary to provide guidelines on the call to active duty and extensions thereof or reserve officers and to strengthen their tenure of office;

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

SECTION 1. Any provision of existing law to the contrary notwithstanding, the following guidelines shall be observed in the call to Active Duty and Extensions of Active Duty of Reserve Officers:

- a. A reserve officer will be initially called to active duty for a period of three (3) years. Upon satisfactory completion of his tour of active duty, it shall be extended for a period of another three (3) years.
- b. A reserve officer who has satisfactorily rendered six (6) continuous years of active military service shall, upon satisfactory completion of his extended tour of active duty, be granted another extension for a period of four (4) years.
- c. A reserve officer who has satisfactorily rendered a total of ten (10) years of continuous active commissioned military service shall not be reverted to inactive status, except upon his own request or for cause as may be adjudged by a court martial or by virtue of the operation of Presidential Decree No. 1638 which provides for the forced attrition of officers based on exigencies of the service, up to the time he reaches the compulsory retirement of thirty (30) years of service or fifty six (56) years of age, whichever comes later, but not later than sixty (60) years of age.

SEC. 2. The Minister of National Defense shall issue the necessary rules and regulations to carry out this Executive Order.

SEC. 3. All laws, orders, issuances, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.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 2nd day of December, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty-six.

**(Sgd.) CORAZON C. AQUINO**