[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 944, March 14, 1984]

PROVIDING FOR AN ADDITIONAL CAREER DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Animal Industry plays an important role in the promotion of public health, by among others, treating, preventing, controlling and eradicating ruinous animal diseases through scientific research and studies;

WHEREAS, cognizant of the above-mentioned role of the Bureau of Animal Industry, the President of the Philippines has designated the Director of Animal Industry as Dean of the U.P. College of Veterinary Medicine;

WHEREAS, there is a need for greater coordination, synchronization and collaboration of the functions and duties of the Bureau of Animal Industry and the U.P. College of Veterinary Medicine on a higher level;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, by virtues of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and by law, do hereby direct:

SECTION 1. Aside from the present career Deputy Minister of Agriculture, there shall be one more career Deputy Minister of Agriculture who shall exercise supervision and control over the administration, management and operations of the Bureau of Animal Industry and effect greater coordination in the work of the Bureau of Animal Industry and of the U.P. College of Veterinary Medicine in order to sustain a high level of growth in research and production;

Sec. 2. In addition to his functions, the career Deputy Minister of Agriculture herein provided for shall perform such functions and duties as may be assigned to him by the President of the Philippines or by the Minister of Agriculture.

Sec. 3. The career Deputy Minister of Agriculture herein provided for shall immediately promulgate such rules and regulations to implement the objective of this Executive Order.

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

Done in the City of Manila, Philippines this 14th day of March, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundered and Eighty-Four.

(SGD.) **FERDINAND E. MARCOS** *President of the Philippines*

By the President: