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CREATING THE DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT STAFF WITHIN THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

WHEREAS, it is the primary responsibility of the President to effect the development of the country and secure to its people and their posterity social and economic benefits under a stable and secure political system;

WHEREAS, as the executive and administrative head of the vast government machinery, it should therefore be the President's concern to see to it that the management and administration of the bureaucracy in going after long-range aims and the conduct of its day-to-day activities should be geared toward development;

WHEREAS, there is need for a body equipped with necessary expertise that can readily provide for the President and his top-level advisory councils the necessary staff studies and recommendations as a basis for decision-making and policy formulation vis–a–vis the pursuance of national developmental objectives as well as coping with sudden crisis-situations; and

WHEREAS, such a body should have a broad overview of national problems, goals and their solutions unhampered by the bias and prejudices of the regular departments, bureaus, agencies and other instrumentalities of the government, which were created for particular and limited purpose or purposes;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and the law, do hereby establish and create the Development Management Staff (DMS) within the Office of the President.

The DMS shall have the mission of serving as the principal and central resource base for the President and other top-level Presidential advisory councils or bodies in the decision-making and policy-formulating process especially as these functions are connected to national development and meeting crisis situations.

In making staff studies and recommendations, the DMS shall give special emphasis to the coordination and control of the various project content of the national development program. In this context, the DMS shall study and recommend how resources can be husbanded and balanced, how different projects and activities are scheduled as to reinforce one another and how diverse efforts and activities can be effectively unified or harmonized in the realization of the development objective.

The DMS shall keep itself informed of the progress of development projects and the conduct of all activities connected to their implementation and shall make continuous evaluation, give critiques and analyses of results and recommend corrective action in relation thereto.