[MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 92, March 21, 2003]

AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL OFFICIALS TO SIGN "BY AUTHORITY OF THE PRESIDENT" DECISIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND ORDERS OF APPEALED CASES IN THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

WHEREAS, M.O. No. 81 was issued on December 31, 2002 directing the speedy resolution of appealed cases in the Office of the President;

WHEREAS, there is a need to further enhance such effort and increase the number of officials to sign "By Authority of the President" for this purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL ARROYO, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order as follows:

- 1. In addition to the officials named under M.O. No. 81 (2002), the following senior officials of the Office of the President are hereby directed to focus on the review and resolution of decisions, resolutions, orders or actions of departments, agencies, and offices elevated to the Office of the President for review and final administrative resolution:
 - a. Presidential Assistant Manuel C. Domingo
 - b. Undersecretary Enrique D. Perez
- 2. The officials designated herein are hereby directed to complete the review and disposition of the current inventory of all appealed decisions, resolutions, order or actions of departments, agencies and offices pending before the Office of the President within a period ending June 30, 2003.
- 3. For this purpose, in addition to the officials named under M.O. No. 81 (2002), the officials designated in Section 1 hereof shall have the authority to sign "By Authority of the President" decisions, resolutions and orders:
 - a. Affirming *in toto* the decisions, resolutions, or orders of departments, agencies or offices;
 - b. Denying/dismissing motions for reconsideration of previous Office of the President decisions which affirmed *in toto* the decisions, resolutions, or order of departments, agencies or offices;
 - c. Dismissing appeals filed out of time;
 - d. Dismissing appeals on matters over which the Office of the President has no jurisdiction;
 - e. Dismissing appeals on the mutual agreement of the parties;
 - f. Declaring a decision, resolution or order in an appealed case as final and executory and/or remanding the records of the case to the relevant office; and
 - g. Approving the withdrawal of an appeal.