

[PROCLAMATION NO. 359, April 04, 2003]

WITHDRAWING FROM USE FOR MILITARY PURPOSES A PORTION OF THE PARCEL OF LAND KNOWN AS CAMP CLAUDIO, SITUATED IN TAMBO, PARANAQUE CITY, AND RESERVING THE SAME FOR HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT PURPOSES

WHEREAS, President Manuel L. Quezon issued Proclamation No. 94 dated October 14, 1936 reserving for military purposes a parcel of land of the public domain, otherwise known as Camp Claudio, situated in Tambo, Parafiaque City, consisting of 5.4112 hectares, as follows:

"Upon the recommendation of the Secretary of Agriculture and Commerce and pursuant to the provisions of section sixty-four of Act Numbered Twenty-seven hundred and eleven, as amended, I hereby withdraw from sale or settlement and reserve for military purposes, under the administration of the Chief of Staff, Philippine Army, the following-described parcel of land, situated in the barrio of Tambo, municipality of Parafiaque, Province of Rizal, Island of Luzon, and particularly described in Bureau of Lands plan Swo-14653, to wit:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on Bureau of Lands plan Swo-14653, N. 7° 11' E. 1,874.37 m. more or less, from B. L. L. M. No. 1, municipality of Parafiaque, thence N. 2° 47' E. 33.69 m. to point 2; S. 82° 59' E. 121.93 m. to point 3; S. 9° 10' W. 239.44 m. to point 4; S. 81° 39' E. 150.70 m. to point 5; S. 10° 22' W. 15.00 m. to point 6; N. 81° 30' W. 150.40 m. to point 7; S. 9° 10' W. 21.20 m. to point 8; N. 81° 44' W. 104.25 m. to point 9; N. 7° 19' E. 429.05 m. to point 1, point of beginning.

Containing an area of 54,112 square meters."

WHEREAS, the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP), particularly the Philippine Navy (PN), occupied Camp Claudio and used the same for housing purposes for its personnel;

WHEREAS, Republic Act (RA) No. 7227, otherwise known as the "Bases Conversion and Development Act of 1992", authorized the sale of two (2) hectares of Camp Claudio, with the remaining 3.4112 hectares of Camp Claudio still reserved for military purposes;

WHEREAS, out of the two (2) hectares which had been authorized for sale and transferred to the Bases Conversion Development Authority (BCDA) pursuant to RA No. 7227, one (1) hectare was declared as a socialized housing site and authorized

for disposition to qualified occupants and beneficiaries by virtue of Executive Order No. 116 dated August 15, 2002;

WHEREAS, the Office of the Vice President (OVP), the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA), the Department of National Defense (DND), and the Housing and Urban Development Coordinating Council (HUDCC) entered into a Memorandum of Understanding dated June 4, 2002 which reads:

"WHEREAS, Presidential Proclamation No. 94, dated October 14, 1936, reserved for military purposes a parcel of land in the Municipality, now City, of Parafiaque containing an area of about 5.4112 hectares as particularly described in Bureau of Lands Plan SWO-14653;

WHEREAS, the Armed Forces of the Philippines, particularly the Philippine Navy established in this parcel of land Camp Claudio and is currently being utilized for housing purposes of its personnel;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7227 transferred 2.0 hectares of Camp Claudio to the Bases Conversion Development Authority (BCDA) for disposition, leaving 3.4112 of the said Camp still reserved for military purposes;

WHEREAS, BCDA, in its letter of 29 January 2002 to HUDCC, approved the use of its property in Camp Claudio for socialized housing;

WHEREAS, OVP, in cooperation with the DFA, in its economic empowerment program for migrant workers, is promoting housing for Overseas Filipino Workers;

WHEREAS, OVP desires to provide affordable housing for its personnel;

WHEREAS, DFA desires to provide affordable housing for its personnel;

WHEREAS, HUDCC desires to provide affordable housing for its personnel;

WHEREAS, DND, in line with the action taken by BCDA, is willing to have the remaining 3.4112 of Camp Claudio considered for mixed use, to include socialized housing primarily benefiting the military organization and its personnel;

WHEREAS, while the 5.4112 hectares area under Proclamation No. 94 is contiguous, the areas titled in the name of the BCDA are not adjacent to each other, consequently leaving the military-retained portions similarly scattered; and

WHEREAS, the Parties hereto appreciate that the best land use could be attained through an integrated planning and development of the total area of Camp Claudio;

NOW, THEREFORE, in view of the foregoing premises and in consideration