

**[ EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 326, December 09, 2000 ]**

**REPEALING SECTION 7 OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 170**

WHEREAS, the Department of Health has issued the Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 7305, otherwise known as the Magna Carta of Public Health Workers, taking into consideration the “implementability” and “assurance of equality” of the same and at all levels on the health care delivery system;

WHEREAS, however, Section 7 of Administrative Order No. 170 provides that “no further grant of new or increased benefits under Republic Act No. 7305 shall be authorized for national government health workers unless there is prior consultation with local government units as to their financial capability to extend the same benefits to the locally paid health workers”;

WHEREAS, the existence of the above-mentioned provisions of Section 7 of Administrative Order No. 170 has suspended the full implementation of the giving of benefits to health workers under Republic Act No. 7305;

WHEREAS, it is thus necessary to repeal the above-mentioned provisions of law, considering further that prior consultation as required by law indicate that local government units have acquired the capability to grant the benefits and privileges embodied in the Magna Carta for Public Health Workers;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH EJERCITO ESTRADA, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The provisions of Section 7 of Administrative Order No. 170 is hereby repealed and revoked.

SEC 2. All laws, orders, issuances and rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC 3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hands and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

Done in the City of Manila, this 9th day of December, in the year of Our Lord, two thousand.

(SGD.) JOSEPH EJERCITO ESTRADA

By the President: