[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 158, October 11, 1999]

AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 80 DATED MARCH 05, 1999 BY REVERTING THE COMMISSION ON FILIPINO LANGUAGE TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE SUPERVISION OF THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7104 dated August 14, 1991, creating the Commission on Filipino Language was enacted by Congress pursuant to the mandate of Section 9, Article XIV of the Constitution;

WHEREAS, among the agencies which were transferred to the National Commission for Culture and the Arts for policy and program coordination, only the Commission on Filipino Language was created by virtue of a Constitutional mandate;

WHEREAS, the special recognition given to it by the fundamental law of the land significantly implies its distinct role to develop, propagate and preserve Filipino and other languages;

WHEREAS, in order to effectively pursue the said tasks, the Commission must be returned to the administrative supervision of the Office of the President.

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

SECTION 1. Section I of the Executive Order No. 80 dated March 05, 1999 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 1. <u>Transfer</u>. – The following cultural agencies are hereby transferred from OP and DECS to NCCA, which shall exercise administrative supervision over them:

- a. Cultural Center of the Philippines;
- b. National Historical Institute;
- c. National Library;
- d. National Museum; and
- e. Records Management and Archives Office."

Section 2. The Commission on Filipino Language shall return to the Office of the President for administrative supervision.

Section 3. All records orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof contrary to or inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.