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## RULES AND PROCEDURES FOR CANCELLATION OF EMANCIPATION PATENTS AND CERTIFICATES OF LANDOWNERSHIP AWARD FOR PURPOSES OF CORRECTING ERRONEOUS TECHNICAL DESCRIPTIONS

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**SECTION 1. Applicability.** - These rules shall apply to landholdings awarded by the Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR) where the technical description provided in the Emancipation Patent (EP) or Certificate of Landownership Award (CLOA) is erroneous and therefore requires cancellation in order to be corrected. It shall also apply to those EPs or CLOAs that requires cancellation to be corrected due to erroneous survey returns and those which needs survey adjustments.

The ordinary rules on the cancellation of EPs or CLOAs, however, shall apply whenever there is an issue pertaining to the identification of the agrarian reform beneficiary or the correctness of the coverage of the landholding, or any portion thereof.

Furthermore, these rules shall not apply to the cancellation of EPs or CLOAs that will result to the decrease in the number, increase in the number, or change of beneficiaries, except for those mentioned in Section 8 hereof.

**SECTION 2. Determination and Initiation by the Provincial Agrarian Reform Office.** - It shall be the task of the Provincial Agrarian Reform Office to make an initial determination and verification whether or not the technical description is erroneous. Upon the Office's determination, it shall draw up a report to be executed by the Provincial Agrarian Reform Program Officer (PARPO), stating therein:

- (a) which portion of the technical description is erroneous;
- (b) the correct entry; and
- (c) the basis of the correct entry.

The Office shall attach to the report all pertinent documents that will serve as the basis of the correction of the entry, such as, but not limited to, approved survey plans certified by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources or the Land Registration Authority.

**SECTION 3. Concurrence of the Pertinent Beneficiaries.** - It is incumbent upon the Provincial Agrarian Reform Office to explain to the beneficiary/ies named in the erroneous EP or CLOA the error in his/her/their title and the correct entry.

If the beneficiaries have no objection on the said correction, he/she/they shall sign a statement included in the report that the circumstances have been properly