

[**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER No. 87, November 17, 2003**]

AMENDING ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 180, SERIES OF 1995 AND ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 384, SERIES OF 1998, INCREASING THE NUMBER OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF THE TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA) UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7796

WHEREAS, Section 7 of Republic Act No. 7796, otherwise known as the "*Technical Education and Skills-Development Act of 1994*" [RA 7796], provides that the TESDA Board shall be composed of the Secretary of Labor and Employment as Chairperson, the Secretary of Education, Culture and Sports and the Secretary of Trade and Industry as Co-Chairpersons, and the following as members: Secretary of Agriculture, Secretary of Interior and Local Government and Director-General of the TESDA Secretariat, two (2) representatives from the employer/industry organization, three (3) representatives from the labor sector, and two (2) representatives of the national associations of private technical-vocational education and training institutions;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the same Section of RA 7796, the President is authorized to revise the membership of the TESDA Board whenever the President deems it necessary for the effective performance of the Board's functions through an administrative order;

WHEREAS, Administrative Order No. 180, Series of 1995, and Administrative Order No. 384, Series of 1998, increased then umber of the TESDA Board members to include the Secretary of Science and Technology and the Chairman of the commission on Higher Education [CHED] as ex-officio members, two (2) additional members from the employer/industry organization and three (3) additional members from the labor sector;

WHEREAS, to further encourage and promote active participation from the business and investment sectors in providing technical education and skills development opportunities, the inclusion of two (2) additional members in the TESDA Board is necessary for the effective performance of the TESDA Board's functions;

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

SECTION 1. Composition of TESDA Board. The composition of the TESDA Board is hereby increased to twenty two (22) members, composed of:

A. Eight (8) Ex-Officio Members