[LETTER OF IMPLEMENTATION NO. 137, December 08, 1981]

DIRECTING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FOR CALENDAR YEAR NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY TWO

WHEREAS, the chief concerns of national development include the enhancement of regional growth and the fostering of self-reliance among local government units;

WHEREAS, the requirements of regional development justify a rationalized scheme for the implementation of local priority projects in support of approved Regional Development Investment Programs (RDIPs) as well as Individual provincial/municipal development plans;

WHEREAS, the national budget for CY 1982 authorized under Batasan Pambansa Blg. 131 provides a lump-sum appropriation intended for the support of local development projects;

WHEREAS, there is a need to identify the specific projects to be funded out of said appropriation;

WHEREAS, the active participation of national government agencies and local government units concerned is vital in the effective prosecution of said projects;

NOW, THEREFORE, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, do hereby director the following measures in implementation of the above-mentioned budgetary program CY 1982;

- 1. The project listings classified by regions presented in the .attached document "Support for Local Development Projects, CY 1982 are hereby approved.
- 2. The Minister of the Budget shall release the funds through the appropriate implementing Ministries and agencies which hall prepare the necessary work and financial plan to expeditiously and efficiently implement the approved projects in accordance with standard budgetary procedure and requirements.
- 3. The Minister of the Budget shall inform all local government heads, through Members of the Batasang Pambansa, Provided, Governors and Mayors of cities and municipalities, of the projects and the corresponding amounts earmarked for their respective localities.
- 4. The implementing agencies concerned shall, comply with the project listing and shall not withhold any amounts intended for regional distribution except as may be duly authorized under P. D. No. 1177.

Done in the City of Manila this 8th day of December, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty one.