[LETTER OF IMPLEMENTATION NO. 84, March 31, 1979]

UPGRADING THE LAWYER GROUP OF POSITIONS IN THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT

WHEREAS, the international energy crisis is anticipated to lead to an increase in the price of imported oil and consequently in the cost of living;

WHEREAS, there exists a big gap in the salary of government and private sector lawyers;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to adjust the salary of government employees to allow them to cope with increased costs.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the implementation of the following measures to upgrade the compensation of the lawyer classes of positions in the national government:

- 1. The minimum salary of the lowest-level lawyer position in the service of the national government shall be increased from P658 a month to P992 a month.
- 2. The salary ranges of certain lawyer classes of positions in the National Compensation and Position Classification Plans shall be upgraded as follows, in lieu of the salary increases directed under Letter of Implementation No. 82.

<u>Groups / Classes</u>	<u>Present</u> <u>Range</u>	<u>Upgraded</u> <u>Range</u>
HEARING OFFICIATING GROUP		
Hearing Officer I Hearing Officer II Hearing Officer III NAPOLCOM Hearing Officer NAPOLCOM Supervising Hearing Office Hearing Officer IV Chief Hearing Officer	54 56 61 64 r66 66	63 65 68 70 72 72 75 (3rd step)
LABOR RELATIONS AND CONCILIATION GROUP		
Mediator Arbiter Senior Mediator Arbiter Labor Arbitration Specialist Supervising Mediator Arbitor Senior Labor Arbitration Specialist Chief Labor Arbitration Specialist	60 62 62 65 65 68	67 69 69 71 71
LEGAL COUNCSELLING GROUP		
Legal Officer I	51	61