

[LETTER OF IMPLEMENTATION NO. 95, August 09, 1979]

REVISING THE MFA INDICES ON OVERSEAS AND LIVING QUARTERS ALLOWANCES OF FOREIGN SERVICE PERSONNEL

TO : The Minister of Foreign Affairs
The Minister of the Budget
Heads of Ministries and Agencies with Staff Members Stationed Abroad

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree No. 1285 establishes the Foreign Service Compensation Plan for staff members of the National Government stationed abroad;

WHEREAS, Letter of Implementation No. 63 provides the necessary rules and regulations to be observed in the payment of compensation for personnel of the National Government stationed abroad;

WHEREAS, Section 4.3.2 of the aforesaid Letter of Implementation No. 63 authorizes the Permanent Committee created for the purpose of P.D. No. 1285 to recommend to the President/Prime Minister such adjustment in the MFA Index as may be warranted by changes in the exchange rates and price levels in the affected posts of assignment;

WHEREAS, in view of the continuing world-wide serious increase in price level and decline in the purchasing power of the United States dollar against certain currencies, the officers and employees of the Philippine Foreign Service have been experiencing financial difficulties;

WHEREAS, such losses in purchasing power are particularly onerous for officers and employees in the affected foreign service establishments due to the unusually high cost of living obtaining in the countries hereinafter listed:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS,, President/Prime Minister of the Philippines, do hereby approve the recommendation of the Permanent Committee to revise the MFA Index contained in Letter of Implementation No. 63, as follows:

<u>Country and Post</u>		<u>Overseas Allowance</u>		<u>Living Quarter Allowances</u>	
		<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Afghanistan	Kabul	—	120%	—	130%
Argentina	Buenos Aires	105%	140	100%	140
Australia	Canberra	125	140	130	160
	Melbourne	—	140	—	140
	Sydney	125	140	130	160
Austria	Vienna	185	185	185	185
Bahrain		—	200	—	200
Belgium	Brussels	185	185	185	185
Brazil	Brasilia	125	150	140	160
Burma	Rangoon	90	90	80	80