

**[LETTER OF IMPLEMENTATION NO. 25,
September 11, 1975]**

**PROVIDING FOR THE RELEASE OF FUNDS FOR THE SOUTHERN
PHILIPPINES DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION AND THE
ASSIGNMENT OF ADDITIONAL FUNCTIONS TO IT.**

Pursuant to the provisions of Presidential Decree No. 690, and in order that the Southern Philippines Development Administration (SPDA) can effectively undertake its functions and responsibilities without disrupting the continuity of the on-going projects which it has absorbed under Presidential Decree No. 290 and those from the abolished agencies, the Budget Commissioner is hereby instructed to immediately cause the release after my approval of the proposed budget from the General Fund of the following amounts to SPDA, independently of releases that may have been or are to be used exclusively for the authorized purposes or projects envisioned under Presidential Decree No. 290 as well as other existing laws, rules and regulations:

1. P100 million - representing the subscription of the Government of the Republic of the Philippines to the capital funds of SPDA for FY 1976;
2. P5 million - representing the operating expenses of SFDA for FY 1976; and
3. P5 million - representing the amount to be paid for the separation gratuities, accumulated vacation and sick leaves and/or retirement of employees or officers of the abolished agencies, namely: Commission on National Integration, Mindanao Development Authority, Presidential Task Force for the Reconstruction and Development of Mindanao, and Special Program of Assistance for the Rehabilitation of Evacuees, who may not be selected nor appointed by SPDA or who refuse such appointment; Provided, however, That claims of said officers or employees shall be paid only after they have submitted the required clearances for the purpose.

In addition to the transfer of the appropriations, assets and liabilities of the Commission on National Integration as provided under Presidential Decree No. 290 to SPDA, the latter is hereby instructed to likewise assume all the functions, powers and duties of the Commission on National Integration provided under Republic Act No. 1883 as amended and other existing laws in so far as these refer to the Muslim cultural communities.

For immediate compliance.

Done in the City of Manila on this 11th day of September, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and seventy-five.

**(Sgd.) FERDINAND E.
MARCOS**
President
Republic of the Philippines

By the President:

(Sgd.) ROBERTO V. REYES