

**[LETTER OF INSTRUCTIONS No. 1374, January
25, 1984]**

**ON THE PERMANENT OFFICES OF THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION,
CULTURE AND SPORTS AND ITS COMPONENT AGENCIES**

TO: The Minister of Education, Culture and Sports
The Minister of Public Works and Highways
The Minister of the Budget
The Presidential Executive Assistant
The Governor, Central Bank of the Philippines
The President, Land Bank of the Philippines

Whereas, the Ministry of Education, Culture and Sports has one of the most significant responsibilities of government, in the education of the youth;

Whereas, the headquarters of the Ministry is not commensurate to the significance of its mission, being temporary quonset but that have stood almost forty (40) years;

Whereas, the main line and downtown terminal of the Metro Manila Light Rail Transit System surrounds the present Ministry headquarters building;

Whereas, the volume of dealings of students, teachers and members of the public with the Ministry is such that its location has to be close to mass transport;

Whereas, the development of Intramuros, a historic and highly accessible district of Manila, and the restoration of historic structures are priority programs of government;

Whereas, the Ayuntamiento and Intendencia Buildings are among the most historic structures in the country, having been the site of executive and legislative functions for three hundred years in the case of the Ayuntamiento;

Whereas, the Central Bank of the Philippines has a program of providing on a selective basis, buildings for rent to other government agencies and has in fact done so for the National Economic and Development Authority:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by Law, do hereby Order and Instruct:

1. The Central Bank of the Philippines shall continue in its work of restoring the Ayuntamiento Building (now owned by the Central Bank' in such manner as will suit the needs of the Ministry;
2. The Intendencia Building shall be assigned to the Ministry and shall be restored by the Central Bank of the Philippines to meet the Ministry's needs, recalling that she said building was the original quarters of the Central Bank;
3. The Beaterio de la Compania on Sta. Lucia Street in Intramuros, (former mother house of the RVM Sisters) the site of which is now occupied by a warehouse of the Central Bank of the Philippines, shall be restored/