

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 177

CONDONING BACK RENTALS, PENALTIES AND SURCHARGES DUE FROM TENANTS AND OCCUPANTS OF THE ANA SARMIENTO ESTATE IN THE CITY OF MANILA.

WHEREAS, the Ana Sarmiento Estate in the City of Manila was purchased by the Government for subdivision and distribution to bona fide tenants, occupants and other qualified landless individuals;

WHEREAS, said estate was acquired pursuant to the Constitution and Commonwealth Act No. 539 for subdivision into farm and residential lots for resale at cost to qualified persons;

WHEREAS, in the computation of the selling price of the residential lots in this estate, rentals and interests thereon were added to the cost of the land from the date of the acquisition of the estate;

WHEREAS, in view of the huge amount of accumulated rentals and interests, the issuance of the corresponding deeds of sale to tenants was hampered due to their inability to pay for their lots;

WHEREAS, the imposition of said rentals and interests on the tenants and occupants of the estate has resulted in the institution of landlord-tenant relationship which is not in accordance with the intent and spirit of the Constitution and Commonwealth Act No. 539; and

WHEREAS, the failure of the tenants and occupants to pay the rentals and interests was due partly to their justified conviction that they were to pay for the land at cost and not for the use thereof, since the estate was purchased by the Government in their own behalf.

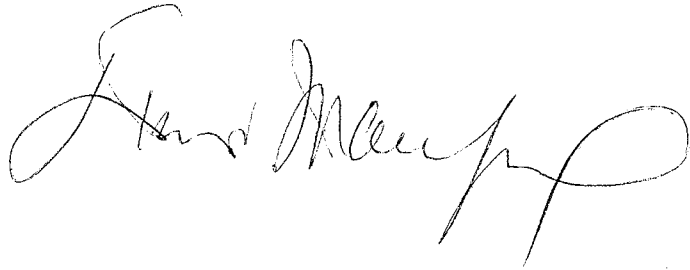
NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIOSDADO MACAPAGAL, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law and the best interests of the Government so requiring, do hereby order:

That the outstanding rentals of bona fide tenants, occupants and other qualified persons under the law, rules and regulations to acquire residential lots in the Ana Sarmiento Estate and rentals in arrears,

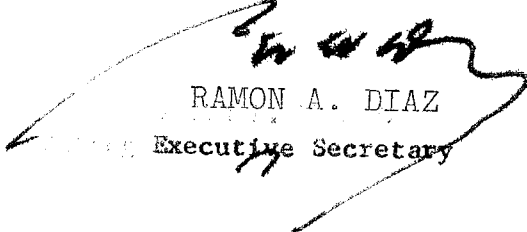
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penalties, surcharges and interests thereon of promisees in agreements to sell are hereby condoned and said persons relieved therefrom.

Done in City of Manila, this 27th day of December
in the year of Our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-five.



By the President:



RAMON A. DIAZ
Executive Secretary