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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 216

CREATING A JOINT EXECUTIVE-LEGISLATIVE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE TO FORMULATE A COMPREHENSIVE EMPLOYMENT STRATEGY PROGRAM (CESP)

WHEREAS, under Administrative Order No. 192, a Multi-Sectoral Agency Task Force was created on May 23, 1995 to formulate the Comprehensive Employment Strategy Program;

WHEREAS, in the discharge of its mandated duties and responsibilities, said Multi-Sectoral Agency Task Force has recommended the creation of a Joint Executive-Legislative Preparatory Committee that shall forge a genuine national consensus behind a Comprehensive Employment Strategy Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the forging of a national consensus on a Comprehensive Employment Strategy Program.

SECTION 1. Creation of a Joint Executive-Legislative Preparatory Committee. A Joint Executive-Legislative Preparatory Committee to forge a genuine national consensus on a Comprehensive Employment Strategy Program, is hereby created.

SEC. 2. Composition. The Joint Executive-Legislative Preparatory Committee, to be chaired by the Executive Secretary and Co-chaired by the Secretaries of the National Economic Development Authority and the Department of Labor and Employment, shall be composed of the following members:

- a. Secretary, Department of Trade and Industry
- b. Secretary, Department of Agriculture
- c. Secretary, Department of Education, Culture and Sports
- d. Secretary, Department of Budget and Management
- e. Director-General, Technical Education and Skills Development Authority
- f. Chairman, Commission on Higher Education
- g. Four (4) Senators, to be designated by the Senate President
- h. Four (4) Representatives, to be designated by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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SEC. 3. Duties and Responsibilities. the Joint Executive-Legislative Preparatory Committee shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

- a. review the Comprehensive Employment Strategy Program (CESP) prepared by the Multi-Sectoral Task Force on the CESP with the end in view of formulating a common legislative agenda and administrative actions supportive of employment generation; and
- b. finalize preparation for a nationally-based Employment Summit to be held on September 22, 1995.

The Joint Preparatory Committee is encouraged to invite/solicit the active participation of the private sector.

SEC. 4. Secretariat Support. The Secretariats of the Legislative-Executive Development Advisory Council (LEDAC) and the Multi-Sectoral Agency Task Force on the CESP shall provide secretariat support to the Joint Preparatory Committee.

SEC. 5. Report. The initial report of the Joint Preparatory Committee shall be jointly submitted to the President, the Senate President and the Speaker of the House of Representatives on or before the 18th of September 1995.

SEC. 6. Funding. Funds necessary for the attainment of the objectives of this Order shall be set aside by the Department of Budget and Management from the contributions of member departments/agencies/branches, as may be agreed upon by the Joint Preparatory Committee.

SEC. 7. Effectivity. This Administrative Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 6th day of September, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Five.



By the President:



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Senior Deputy Executive Secretary
Officer-In-Charge, OES

