

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 223



I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby amend Section 1 of Executive Order No. 175, dated April 30, 1994, which created a Northwestern Luzon Growth Quadrangle Commission, to read as follows:

"Section 1. <u>NWLGQ Commission</u>. There is hereby created under the Office of the President, a Presidential Commission to be called the Northewestern Luzon Growth Quadrangle (NWLGQ) Commission, hereinafter referred to as the Commission. The Commission shall be responsible for the overall policy direction, coordination and supervision of the entire NWLGQ Development efforts. It shall be composed of the following members:

CORD for Region

CORD for CAR

Secretary of Trade and Industry

Secretary of Tourism

Secretary of Agriculture

NEDA Director General

The Presidential Assistant for Regional Development

The Chairman of Regional Development Council I

The Chairman of the Cordillera Executive Board

The Provincial Governor of Ilocos Norte

The Provincial Governor of Ilocos Sur

The Provincial Governor of La Union

The Provincial Governor of Pangasinan

The Provincial Governor of Benguet

The City Mayor of Dagupan City

The City Mayor of Baguio City

The PCCI Chairman of Region I

The PCCI Chairman of CAR

The BCDA Chairman

NGO Regional Federation Representative each for Regions I and CAR to be appointed by the President

"The Commission shall be chaired by the CORD for Region

*The Commission shall have the following functions:

- a) Review and submit to the President, for approval, the NWLGQ, Master Plan and Development Program;
- b) Provide overall direction, coordination and supervision in the planning, implementation and monitoring of all program/project components and development activities of the NWLGQ Development Program in consultation and coordination with the Joint RDC-CEB Inter-regional Consultative Council;
- c) Cause the update, refinement and endorsement of the NWLGQ plans, investment programs and projects within the context of the NWLGQ Master Plan and the Regional Development and Physical Framework Plans and Investment Programs of Regions I and CAR.

- d) Cause the preparation of feasibility studies for and financing of the various projects identified for the NWLGQ;
- e) Encourage the supprint and assistance from government and non-government institutions in planning and implementing the various projects under the NWLGQ Development Program;
- f) Organize the Program Management Office (PMO), define its organizational set-up, establish its staffing pattern as well as internal operating systems, and procedures;
- g) Review and confirm contracts entered into by the Executive Director of the Program Management Office (PMO);
- h) Review and endorse to the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) the annual budget of the NWLGQ Development Program including the Work and Financial Plan for the operation of the PMO;
- i) Submit to the President, progress reports on the NWLGQ Development Program and such other reports as may be required."

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 7th day of February, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety five.

By the President:

TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.

Executive Secretary 4

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