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SUBJECT : Creation of an Organizing Committee
for the Forthcoming ASEAN and the
Pacific Regional Meetings on the
Fishery Resources Management in the
Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ)

In the 1979 FAO Conference held in Rome, it was agreed that an International Conference on the Management of Fishery Resources in the EEZ and Preparatory Regional Meetings on the same subject will be organized. The Philippines, cognizant of the importance and relevance of fishery resources management in the zone, offered to host the Asia and the Pacific Regional Meeting. Furthermore, the ASEAN member countries, during the Coordinative Group Meeting on Fishery of the Committee on Food, Agriculture and Forestry (COFAF) held at Bangkok in March 30-31, 1981, considered the Philippine proposal to host the ASEAN consultation meeting on management of fishery resources in EEZ. Furthermore, in the Eighth COFAF Meeting held at Bandung, Indonesia in May 5-8, 1981, it was agreed that a Preparatory Meeting on the Management of Fishery Resources in the 200-mile EEZ be held in Manila, in August, 1981.

Considering the substantive and administrative requirements for the ASEAN and the Pacific Regional Meetings on Fishery Resource Management in the EEZ, an Organizing Committee is hereby created with the following responsibilities:

1. To prepare the terms of reference and agenda for the said meetings;
2. To prepare the Philippine position on issues to be taken up during the meetings;
3. To nominate the appropriate officials and technical experts who will form the Philippine delegation to the Meetings; and

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4. To oversee administrative preparations for the Meetings, such as hotel accommodations, technical secretariat and others.

The Organizing Committee shall be composed of Assistant Secretary Arnold B. Caoili as Chairman and the following as members:

1. Dir. Felix R. Gonzales - Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources
2. Dir. Elizabeth D. Samson - Fishery Industry Development Council
3. Dir. Juanito C. Fernandez - Bureau of Mines & Geo-Sciences
4. Engr. Jesus D. Valerio - OIG, Planning Service
MNR
5. Atty. Antonio Elum - OIG, Legal Service
MNR
6. Dr. Elvira Tan - Director, Fisheries Research Division
P C A R R
7. Prof. Inocencio Ronquillo - Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources
8. Dr. Edgardo Gomez - Dir. U.P. Marine Science Center

The Chairman may at any time ask the participation of other concerned agencies such as the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA), NEDA, Ministry of National Defense (MND), Office of the Solicitor General (OSG), Presidential Management Staff (PMS), and the Philippine Fish Marketing Authority (PFMA), among others, to assist in the planning and implementation of the said Meetings. The Chairman is also authorized to organize a support Secretariat based at the Planning Service.

All expenses incidental to the conduct of the said undertaking shall be defrayed by the Office of the Minister,

subject to the availability of funds and in accordance with the usual accounting and auditing procedures.

This Order shall take effect immediately.



JOSE J. LEIDO, JR.
Minister