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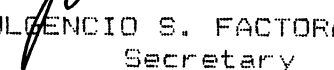
SUBJECT : Designation of Undersecretary RICARDO M. UMALI as the Coordinator of the project entitled "RAS/Q86/Q48 Asia and Pacific Forests Industries Development Group"

1. In the interest of the service and to ensure the fruitful and active participation of the country in the above-cited FAO/UNDP regional project, I hereby designate Undersecretary RICARDO M. UMALI as the Project Coordinator for the Philippines.

2. As such, he shall be responsible for the implementation/coordination of all project activities involving the country. This shall include: i) the selection of nominees for workshop, meetings, seminars, study tours and training courses; ii) identification of special studies and field activities to be conducted by the project; and iii) negotiation for the government's participation in market information sharing systems, training programmes, sectoral studies and other project activities.

3. In view of the nature and scope of the responsibilities of the Project Coordinator, I hereby designate Assistant Secretary LIRIO T. ABUYUAN as alternate. She shall perform the functions of the Project Coordinator in cases where the latter is indisposed or unavailable.

4. This Order takes effect immediately and supersedes all other orders inconsistent herewith.


FULGENCIO S. FACTORAN, JR.
Secretary