

SPECIAL ORDER ) NO. <u>985</u> Series of 1991

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SUBJECT:

Authorizing PEO IV RAMON P. PAJE to conduct a two-year research management project under the auspices of the International Development Research Center (IDRC)

In the interest of the public service and considering the need to carefully study the implications of local autonomy (as mandated by the new Local Government Code) in the protection and management of the country's natural resources and environment, MR. RAMON P. PAJE, PEO IV, is hereby authorized to conduct a two (2)-year research management project entitled "The Implications of Local Autonomy on Environmental Protection and Natural Resources Management in the Philippines" under the auspices of the IDRC's Lester B. Pearson Fellowship Program. Said research project shall be under the following terms and conditions:

- 1. No GOP counterpart funding will be required except for the official participation of the proponent (Mr. Paje);
- 2. The proponent shall continue to perform his functions in the DENR; the research shall only be in addition to his regular assignment/work in the Department;
- 3. During the implementation of the Project, the proponent, as required by IDRC shall visit relevant institutions in Canada, for a period not to exceed six months, to document analogous management experience which shall expand the research's theoretical foundation;
- 4. All expenses for said visit shall be financed by the IDRC; and
- 5. After the completion of the project, the proponent shall submit his report and recommendations to the DENR, for consideration/implementation.

This Order shall take effect from the date of the IDRC's approval of Mr. Paje's proposal and shall have a period of two (2) years.

FULGENCIO S. FACTORAN, JR. Secretary