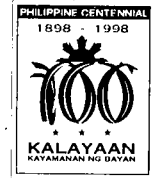




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**SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS ON THE MANAGEMENT
OF THE ARCBC**

In the interest of the service and to efficiently and effectively implement the activities of the ASEAN Regional Center for Biodiversity Conservation (ARCBC), particularly the preparations for its launching, administrative supervision and control of the Center shall remain with the Secretary through the Assistant Secretary for Management and International Environmental Affairs.

In view hereof, Assistant Secretary Ramon J. Paje is hereby authorized to approve all administrative, financial and personnel matters concerning ARCBC.

This Order shall take effect immediately and revoke all orders inconsistent herewith.


VICTOR O. RAMOS
Secretary