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SPECIAL ORDER

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SUBJECT CREATING A SPECIAL COMMITTEE WHICH
WILL INTEGRATE AND CONSOLIDATE INTO A
"MOTHER LAW" ALL LEGISLATIONS ON
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

The present state of our environment is not desirable. We are faced with multifarious environmental problems – solid wastes disposal, toxic waste, air and noise pollution, oil spill, marine/water pollution, soil erosion, flooding, landslide in spite of the existence of large number of laws, statutes and decrees aimed at safeguarding, protecting and conserving our environment. There also appears to be an absence of a single agency to implement the various laws.

These laws appear only on paper. Seldom have been implemented and their implementation duly monitored or their violation appropriately penalized.

There is, therefore, a need to review all these legislations with the view to rationalizing the same and consolidating its various subject and concern into a "Mother Law" which ultimately be a "Code on Environment."

To this end, there is hereby created a special group to be known as "Mother Law Special Committee" which will rationalize and consolidate all laws on environmental protection and conservation composed of the following:

Undersecretary for Legal Affairs	- Chairman
Assistant Secretary for Lands and Legislative Affairs	- Vice-Chairman
Director, Environmental Management Bureau	- Member
Director, Enberto Argete, Planning Service	- Member
Atty. Edgardo Gerolin, Legal Affairs	- Member
Atty. Angela Consuelo Ibay, EMB	- Member
Atty. Francisco Saavedra, Lands & Legislative Affairs	- Member
Atty. Roberto dela Fuente, Legal Affairs	- Member
Atty. Madelene Ramirez, Legal Affairs	- Member
Atty. Jose Ibarra, Legal Affairs	- Member

To assist the Special Committee in its task is a Technical Support Secretariat which will attend to its clerical needs. The chair shall have the authority to designate the head and members of the Secretariat.

The Special Committee shall submit its report hereon on or before the end of December 2000.

This Order is for the good of service and shall take effect immediately.

ANTONIO H. CERILLES
Secretary

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