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SPECIAL ORDER NO. 2000- 857

SUBJECT: OBSERVANCE OF OCTOBER 2000 AS 11TH
NATIONAL STATISTICS MONTH

In the interest of the service and pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 647 and National Statistical Coordination Board Circular No. 01-2000, the Executive Committee on Statistical Concerns and Coordination through the Technical Committee and the Statistical Coordination Division, Economic Affairs Service, PPSEAO including those from the Sectoral Bureaus, Attached Agencies and Regional Offices are hereby authorized to undertake statistical activities in celebration of the 11th National Statistics Month.

The National theme is "Empowering Filipino Women through Gender Statistics." The statistical activities are as follows:

- 1. Launching Ceremony Covenant Signing October 3, 2000 (Tuesday)
- 2. Awarding of Three Best Regions in Support to Statistical Reporting System
 (Bilis Stadistika: Isang Parangal)
 October 25, 2000
- 3. ENR Statistical Quiz 2000 (Tagisan ng Talino sa Kapaligiran at Likas Yaman) October 25, 2000

The Technical Committee and the Ad hoc Sub-Committee on Statistical Quiz 2000 and Sub- Committee on Prizes including selected staff from the Statistical Coordination Division, Bureaus and Attached Agencies are hereby authorized to seek assistance from any official or employee of the department in pursuance of this Order.

All expenses to be incurred including cash prizes, trophies, plaques, foods/snacks, supplies and materials for the said activities shall be shared by the Central Office, Bureaus, Attached Agencies and Regional Offices chargeable against their respective statistical budget, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This Order takes effect immediately and shall remain in force until October 31, 2000.

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Secretary