

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 227

AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 209, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE
"FAMILY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES"

I, CORAZON C. AQUINO, President of the Philippines,
do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Article 26 of Executive Order No. 209 is
hereby amended to read as follows:

"Art. 26. All marriages solemnized outside
the Philippines in accordance with the laws in
force in the country where they were solemnized,
and valid there as such, shall also be valid in
this country, except those prohibited under
Articles 35(1), (4), (5) and (6), 36, 37 and 38.

Where a marriage between a Filipino citizen
and a foreigner is validly celebrated and a
divorce is thereafter validly obtained abroad
by the alien spouse capacitating him or her
to remarry, the Filipino spouse shall have
capacity to remarry under Philippine law."

SECTION 2. Article 36 of Executive Order No. 209 is
hereby amended to read as follows:

"Art. 36. A marriage contracted by any
party who, at the time of the celebration,
was psychologically incapacitated to comply
with the essential marital obligations of
marriage, shall likewise be void even if
such incapacity becomes manifest only after
its solemnization."

SECTION 3. Article 39 of Executive Order No. 209 is
hereby amended to read as follows:

"Art. 39. The action or defense for the
declaration of absolute nullity of a marriage
shall not prescribe. However, in the case of
marriages celebrated before the effectivity
of this Code and falling under Article 36,

such action or defense shall prescribe in ten years after this Code shall have taken effect."

SECTION 4. This Executive Order shall take effect upon the effectivity of the Family Code of the Philippines.

Done in the City of Manila, this 17th day of July, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and eight-seven.

Gregorio B. Aquino

By the President:

J. P. Arroyo
JOSER P. ARROYO
Executive Secretary

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