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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. __148____

PRESCRIBING THE GUIDELINES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 313, SERIES OF 1987

In connection with the implementation of Executive Order No. 313, series of 1987, entitled "Prohibiting Philippine Government Officials To Visit Taiwan Or To Receive Calls By Visiting Taiwanese Officials", the following guidelines are hereby prescribed:

- 1. The restriction on travel to Taiwan and on contact with representatives of Taiwan should apply strictly to the President, the Vice President, the Secretary of Foreign Affairs and the Secretary of National Defense.
- 2. Philippine Government Officials intending to visit Taiwan should inform the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA) of the purpose of their visit before their departure. They should travel using ordinary passports and without using their official titles.
- 3. Similarly, officials of the Philippine Government should inform the Department of Foreign Affairs of any formal contacts in the Philippines with representatives of Taiwan.
- 4. Philippine Government Officials visiting Taiwan shall provide the Department of Foreign Affairs with a report on their travel thereto pursuant to the provision of Section 9, Executive Order No. 401 dated 26 April 1990 and entitled "Rules and Regulations And Authorized Allowances Covering Official Travel Abroad of Government Personnel Under the Category of Conference, Special Missions, and Other Non-Study Trips."
- 5. No agreements, memoranda of understanding, exchange of notes, or similar documents shall be concluded with any Taiwanese organization/agency unless the text thereof has first been cleared with the Department of Foerign Affairs and the authority to sign has been secured from the Office of the President.

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately.

By the President:

FRANKLIN M. DRILON Executive Secretary

Manila, February 27, 1992

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