## MALACAÑANG

## Manila

## BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

## MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO.

MANDATING ALL HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS, BUREAUS, OFFICES, AGENCIES, AND INSTRUMENTALITIES OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT TO COMPLY WITH THE EXHAUST EMISSION STANDARDS SET BY THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE

WHEREAS, studies conducted by the World Health Organization, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, the University of the Philippines College of Public Health, and the Asian Development Bank show that emission from motor vehicles is a major source of air pollution particularly in the urban areas;

WHEREAS, this very serious condition is shown by the emission of carbon monoxide, particulates, sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxide, and other associated pollutants emitted by these vehicles;

WHEREAS, smoke-belching by 50 percent of 680,000 vehicles in Metro Manila has reached proportions two to three times beyond the WHO standard;

WHEREAS, air pollution poses a mounting danger to public health and welfare, damage to and deterioration of public and private property;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to take immediate measures and to regulate the emission or air pollutants from motor vehicles;

WHEREAS, we in the government service should set the example in reducing air pollution in the country;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, do hereby direct all departments, bureaus, offices, agencies, and instrumentalities of the government, including government owned or controlled corporations, to have their vehicles tested for compliance with the Exhaust Emission Standard at the nearest Department of Environment and Natural Resources or Land Transportation Office Motor Vehicles Pollution Control Center. Vehicles, which fail the test, shall be immediately repaired/reconditioned to meet the standard.

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This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City Manila, this 22md day of the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety three.

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By the President:

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TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR. Executive Secretary

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