## Office of the President of the Philippines Malacañang

## **MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 192**

## GRANTING CONSENT TO HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER OFFICIALS COVERED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 464 (S. 2005) IN CERTAIN INSTANCES FOR THE PERIOD UNTIL 31 DECEMBER 2005

**WHEREAS**, Executive Order No. 464 dated 28 September 2005 was issued to ensure observance of the principle of separation of powers, adherence to the rule on executive privilege and respect for the rights of public officials appearing in legislative inquiries in aid of legislation under the Constitution, and for other purposes;

**WHEREAS**, Executive Order No. 464 (s. 2005) requires that heads of departments and other public officials covered thereby shall secure the consent of the President prior to appearing before either House of Congress;

Accordingly, I, **EDUARDO R. ERMITA**, Executive Secretary, by authority of the President, do hereby order:

**SECTION 1. Consent.** – Pursuant to Executive Order No. 464 (s. 2005), the consent of the President is hereby granted, unless otherwise specifically directed, for the period until 31 December 2005 to heads of departments of the Executive Branch of government and all other public officials covered under Executive Order No. 464 (s. 2005) for the following proceedings:

- a. Confirmation hearings before the Commission on Appointments pursuant to Section 16, Article VII of the Constitution;
- b. Budget hearings before Congress for the enactment of the general appropriations act.

**SECTION 2. Executive Privilege.** – The public officials covered by Executive Order No. 464 (s. 2005) and this order shall strictly observe the rule of confidentiality based on executive privilege.

This Memorandum Order shall take effect immediately.

Manila, OCT 0 7 2005

By authority of the President:

**EDUARDO R. ERMITA** 

Executive Secretary

By the Executive Secretary: AQUIN C. LAGONERA 30

Senior Deputy Executive Secretary