BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 197

DIRECTING THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINE (AFP) CORPS OF ENGINEERS TO UNDERTAKE THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE 2-STOREY LIVELIHOOD TRAINING CENTER BUILDING OF THE FILIPINO WAR VETERANS FOUNDATION, INC. (FILVETS) IN TAGUIG CITY

WHEREAS, Section 7, Article XVI of the 1987 Constitution provides that the State shall provide immediate and adequate care, benefits, and other forms of assistance to war veterans and veterans of military campaigns, their surviving spouses and orphans;

WHEREAS, the Filipino War Veterans Foundation, Inc. (FILVETS), a bonafide veterans organization, intends to construct a two (2) storey building to be used as training center for the war veterans and their dependents, at 22 BCDA Phase 2, Diego Silang Village, Ususan, Taguig, Metro Manila and has requested the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP), through the AFP Corps of Engineers (AFPCOE) to undertake the construction;

WHEREAS, the AFPCOE is engaged in undertaking civil works projects, has the technical capability to undertake the project and is willing to complement the efforts of the FILVETS in accelerating the implementation of projects that will benefit Filipino war veterans of all campaigns.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL ARROYO, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

- 1. The AFP Corps of Engineers is hereby directed to undertake the construction of the two (2) storey livelihood training center building of the FILVETS in Taguig, metro Manila in accordance with existing laws, rules and regulations.
 - 2. This Memorandum Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this _{17th} day of November in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.

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By the President:

EDUARDO R. ERMITA Executive secretary 2 33066