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MEMORANDUM ORDER

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**SUBJECT : FOREIGN-ASSISTED AND SPECIAL PROJECTS
SERVICE (FASPS): CLEARING HOUSE OF ALL
PROJECT PROPOSALS FOR FOREIGN ASSISTANCE
AND SPECIAL FUNDING**

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 192 dated June 10, 1987, Memorandum Circular No. 16 from the Office of the President dated April 11, 2017, and in line with the Department's thrust to integrate and institutionalize foreign-assisted and special projects into its regular offices per DAO No. 97-19, and in consonance with DAO No. 98-17 and DAO No. 2014-03 (Manual of Authorities dated 26 March 2014), the following guidelines are hereby reiterated for strict observance and compliance.

The Foreign-Assisted and Special Projects Service (FASPS) shall serve as the clearing house of all project proposals for foreign assistance and special funding or technical assistance, and shall perform, inter alia, the following:

1. Prioritize projects for foreign or special funding or technical assistance,
2. Screen/evaluate proposals according to existing frameworks and guidelines, in support of the priority programs, projects and activities under the Philippine Development Plan and DENR Investment/Expenditure Program in coordination with the Planning Service; and ensure non-duplication or repetition of previous efforts unless new approaches, innovations or added values are to be applied,
3. Package proposals coming from regional offices/bureaus and other proponents, as in the case of special projects, when needed, to comply with the requirements of DENR and funding/partner institutions,
4. Endorse to the Secretary, through the Undersecretary concerned, for final approval, project proposals to appropriate oversight agencies (e.g., NEDA, DoF, DFA), funding agencies or partner institutions,
5. Represent the DENR in consultations or negotiations, as needed,
6. Provide feedback to concerned proponents on the status of their respective project proposals, and
7. Submit regular status and accomplishment reports to the Planning Service and the Office of the Secretary.

In support to the above functions, it is the responsibility of the Head of Office/Bureau/Region to ensure that any proposal shall be fully consulted with the concerned stakeholders, and that complementation in the use of all available resources shall be pursued and incorporated in the project proposals to attain productivity, efficiency and effectiveness.

The FASP Service shall ensure that internal mechanisms and protocols are in place to act judiciously on proposals submitted.

FOR STRICT COMPLIANCE.

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Secretary



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