



MALACAÑAN PALACE  
MANILA

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 235**

**TO PUT TOGETHER A NATIONWIDE WATER SERVICES PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, it is important to strengthen ties with the People's Republic of China;

**WHEREAS**, it is important to demonstrate how China's Official Development Assistance uplifts the poor and develops the countryside;

**WHEREAS**, most pipes and other materials for water systems are made in China;

**WHEREAS**, in the ten-point program of the Arroyo Administration, water shall be regularly provided to all municipalities.

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

**Section 1.** The National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) shall put together a nationwide water services program for more than 150 remaining waterless municipalities, plus general upgrade in access to water, especially in Mindanao.

**Section 2.** The NEDA shall then propose the program for funding from the People's Republic of China.

**Section 3.** This order takes effect immediately.

**DONE** in Manila on this 5<sup>th</sup> of August in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Eight.



By the President:

**EDUARDO R. ERMITA**  
Executive Secretary

