

**Office of the President  
of the Philippines  
Malacañang**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 42**

**CREATING A COMMITTEE TO LOOK INTO AND INVESTIGATE THE  
ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLAINTS FILED AGAINST CERTAIN  
OFFICIALS OF THE NATIONAL COMMISSION ON INDIGENOUS  
PEOPLE (NCIP)**

There is hereby created under the Department of Justice a Committee consisting of three (3) members, to be chosen by the Secretary of Justice from among senior officials of the department, to look into and investigate the administrative complaints against certain officials of the NCIP.

The Investigating Committee shall, as far as practicable, follow the procedure under Sections 38 to 40 of the Civil Service Law (PD 807). The investigation of the administrative complaint shall be terminated by the Investigating Committee within ninety (90) days from the start thereof.

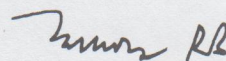
The Investigating Committee shall, within twenty (20) days after receipt of the last pleading and evidence, if any, in case the respondents do not elect formal investigation; or after the expiration of the period within which to submit the same; or after the termination of the formal investigation; or after the parties submitted their respective memoranda, if so allowed, forward to the Office of the President the entire records of the case, together with its findings and recommendations; as well as the draft decision for approval of the President.

For purposes of the investigation, the Committee is hereby authorized to issue subpoena, take testimony, receive evidence, administer oaths, summon witnesses and require the production of documents by subpoena *duces tecum*, pursuant to Book 1, Chapter 8, Section 37 of the Administrative Code of 1987.

This Administrative Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 10th day of December in the year  
of our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Eight.

**By authority of the President:**



**RONALDO B. ZAMORA  
Executive Secretary**