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DepEd MEMORANDUM  
No. **132**, s 2003

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TRANSFERRING THE NATIONAL BOOK DEVELOPMENT BOARD FROM THE OFFICE  
OF THE PRESIDENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

To: Undersecretaries  
Assistant Secretaries  
Bureau Directors  
Directors of Services, Centers and Heads of Units  
Regional Directors  
Schools Division/City Superintendents

1. For the information and guidance of all concerned, enclosed is copy of the Executive Order No. 189 known as the "Transferring the National Book Development Board (NBDB) from the Office of the President (OP) to the Department of Education (DEPED)".
2. Wide and immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

*R. C. Bacani*  
RAMON C. BACANI  
Undersecretary  
Officer-In-Charge

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04-15-03

Encl. As stated  
Reference: None  
Allotment: 1--(D.O. 50-97)  
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index  
under the following subjects:

BOOK  
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POLICY

(Enclosure to DepEd Memorandum No. 132, s. 2003)

**MALACAÑANG**  
Manila

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 189

**TRANSFERRING THE NATIONAL BOOK DEVELOPMENT BOARD FROM  
THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF  
EDUCATION**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Republic Act No. 8047, otherwise known as the "Book Publishing Industry Development Act", the National Book Development Board (NBDB) was created to formulate, adopt and implement a National Book Policy which will serve as the basis for fostering the viability and progressive growth of the book publishing industry;

**WHEREAS**, under Section 7 of the same Act, the NBDB was placed under the administrative supervision of the Office of the President;

**WHEREAS**, this administration recognizes the vital importance of textbooks and other educational materials to the school population, particularly those in the primary and secondary levels;

**WHEREAS**, the said levels are under the jurisdiction of the Department of Education (DepEd), and is therefore necessary that the NBDB be transferred to the DepEd;

**WHEREAS**, under Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987, the President has the continuing authority to reorganize the Office of the President, including transferring any agency from the Office of the President to any other department.

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

**SECTION 1. Transfer of the National Book Development Board.** – The National Book Development Board is hereby transferred from the Office of the President to the Department of Education.



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**SECTION 2. - Repealing Clause.** - All executive orders, rules and regulations and other issuances inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby revoked or modified accordingly.

**SECTION 3. Effectivity .** - This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

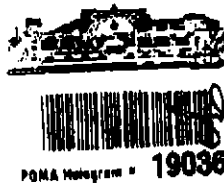
Done in the City of Manila, this 31<sup>st</sup> day of March in the year of Our Lord two thousand and three.




By the President:

  
**ALBERTO G. ROMULO**  
Executive Secretary

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