



FISHERIES ADMINISTRATIVE)  
ORDER NO. 196-1 :  
Series of 2004 . . . . .)

**SUBJECT: Amending Section 4 (c,d,e & f) of FAO 196**

**SEC. 1.** Section 4 (c,d,e, & f) of Fisheries Administrative Order No. 196, s. 2000, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 4. x x x

- a. x x x
- b. x x x
- c. Selection of five (5) fisherfolk and fishworker nominees.

1) All M/CFARMC Chairpersons or their designated representatives bearing their respective resolutions shall elect from among themselves their provincial representatives. The elected provincial representatives in turn, shall elect from among themselves their regional representative and alternate. The elected regional representatives shall be the ones who shall qualify for nomination to the NFARMC.

2) Nomination of the candidates shall precede the election. There shall be no proxy voting and votation shall be by secret balloting.

The BFAR Regional Director, through the Regional FARMC Program Management Center, shall facilitate the selection process at the provincial and regional levels.

3) The fisherfolk from Luzon shall vote for the Luzon representatives, the same as with those from the Visayas and Mindanao for their own island groupings.

- 4) The allocation of the five (5) members for the fisherfolk sector shall be as follows:
- Two (2) representatives from Luzon
  - One (1) representative from the Visayas
  - Two (2) representatives from Mindanao

Accordingly, a voter either from Luzon or Mindanao may vote for two (2) candidates while those from the Visayas shall vote for only one candidate.

5) Another round of votation shall be held, but only for the candidates who tied.

6) The fisherfolk shall also have a shortlist for the following nominees:

- Five (5) from Luzon ranked accordingly
- Three (3) from Visayas ranked accordingly
- Five (5) from Mindanao ranked accordingly

- d. Five (5) members representing the commercial fishing, aquaculture and processing sectors, to be allocated as follows:
- 1) Three (3) representatives for the commercial fishing sector, one each for the small scale, medium-scale and large-scale commercial fishing boat operators, to be chosen from within their respective classification.
  - 2) One (1) representative for the aquaculture sector, to be chosen from among the aquaculture sector organizations; and
  - 3) One (1) representative for the processing sector to be chosen from among those solely engaged in the processing of fishery products.

The selection process for all the foregoing shall be facilitated by the BFAR NFARMC PMC.

- e. Two (2) from the academe to be chosen from among the fishery experts of fisheries learning institutions, the selection process for which shall also be facilitated by the BFAR NFARMC PMC.
- f. One (1) representative from the NGOs having national coverage involved in fisheries with proven and documented record of involvement for five (5) years on a wide range of issues and concerns on fisheries particularly on the small fisherfolk and development programs on resource management, active involvement in local and national fisheries and fishery-related policy advocacy, besides being a member of an NGO or a coalition of NGOs to be certified by the local FARMCs, the selection process for which shall also be facilitated by the BFAR NFARMC PMC.”

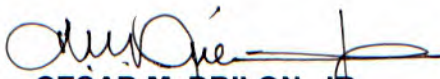
**SEC. 2. Membership.** – After nomination by their respective organizations, membership of the foregoing representatives to the NFARMC shall be perfected upon appointment by the President of the Philippines.


**SEC. 3. Effectivity.** – This order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the official Gazette and/or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation and fifteen (15) days after its registration with the office of the National Administrative Register.

ISSUED this 30th day of April, 2004 at Quezon City, Metro Manila, Philippines.

  
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