

INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND

Minutes of Executive Board Meeting 84/184

3:00 p.m., December 14, 1984

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Also Present

A. Sonmez, IBRD. Asian Department: Tun Thin, Director; P. R. Narvekar, Deputy Director; H. Neiss, Deputy Director; D. Burton, A. Singh.
European Department: J. T. Boorman. Exchange and Trade Relations Department: M. Guitián, Deputy Director. External Relations Department: H. O. Hartmann. Fiscal Affairs Department: A. A. Tait, Deputy Director; M. A. Wattleworth. Legal Department: Ph. Lachman. Research Department: A. Salehizadeh. Treasurer's Department: W. L. Coats. Personal Assistant to the Managing Director: S. P. Collins. Advisors to Executive Directors: H. A. Arias, D. Hammann, H.-S. Lee, G. E. L. Nguyen, G. W. K. Pickering, M. Z. M. Qureshi, T. Sirivedhin, A. Steinberg, E. M. Taha, A. Vasudevan. Assistants to Executive Directors: I. Angeloni, J. Bulloch, Chen J., L. E. J. M. Coene, G. Ercel, N. Haque, Z. b. Ismail, K. Murakami, M. Rasyid, D. J. Robinson, J. E. Rodríguez, L. Tornetta, A. J. Tregilgas.

1. PHILIPPINES - STAND-BY ARRANGEMENT AND EXCHANGE SYSTEM

The Executive Directors resumed from the previous meeting their consideration of a request from the Philippines for a stand-by arrangement in an amount equivalent to SDR 615 million, or 139.6 percent of the quota of SDR 440.4 million, for a period of 18 months (EBS/84/226, 11/5/84; and Sup. 1, 12/10/84).

The Executive Board, upon the conclusion of its discussion, took the following decisions:

Stand-By Arrangement

1. The Government of the Philippines has requested a stand-by arrangement in the amount equivalent to SDR 615 million for a period of 18 months from December 14, 1984.
2. The Fund approves the stand-by arrangement set forth in EBS/84/226, Supplement 2.
3. The Fund waives the limitation in Article V, Section 3(b)(iii) of the Articles of Agreement.

Decision No. 7874-(84/184), adopted
December 14, 1984

Exchange System

The Fund welcomes the removal of certain exchange restrictions, including a tax on purchases of foreign exchange for nonmerchandise imports, referred to in Executive Board Decision No. 7746-(84/102), adopted June 29, 1984. However, payment arrears with respect to current international payments and transfers remain. The Fund grants approval for the retention of the exchange restrictions that give rise to these arrears until March 15, 1985.

Decision No. 7881-(84/184), adopted
December 14, 1984

APPROVED: September 30, 1985

ALAN WRIGHT
Acting Secretary

