

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 621, May 26, 1951]

**AN ACT CREATING THE UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL,
SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION NATIONAL
COMMISSION OF THE PHILIPPINES.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization National Commission of the Philippines, hereinafter referred to as the Commission, is hereby created under the Department of Foreign Affairs to serve as a liaison agency between the Government of the Philippines and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and to associate principal bodies in the Philippines interested in educational, scientific and cultural matters with the work of the UNESCO, in accordance with Article VII of the Constitution of the aforesaid Organization accepted by Joint Resolution Numbered Three of the Congress of the Philippines adopted on October 17, 1946.

SEC. 2. The members of the Commission shall be appointed by the President of the Philippines with the consent of the Commission on Appointments and shall be composed of the following;

- a. Twenty shall be designated by the President of the Philippines upon the recommendation of organizations interested in educational, scientific and cultural matters affiliated with and duly registered in the Commission;
- b. Eight shall represent educational, scientific, and cultural agencies of the Government; and,
- c. Two shall be designated at the discretion of the President.

A Chairman and Vice-Chairman shall be elected by the Commission to serve for a term of one year or until their respective successors shall have been elected or qualified. The Chairman shall be the presiding officer of the Commission and shall ex-officio be the Head of the Executive Committee herein provided.

SEC. 3. The Commission, with the approval of the Secretary of Foreign Affairs, shall create an Executive Committee and such other committees or sub-committees as may be necessary for the effective and efficient performance of its powers and duties.

There shall also be a Secretariat to be headed by an Executive Secretary who shall act as the secretary of the Commission, its committees and sub-committees and shall attend to all administrative matters of the Commission.

SEC. 4. The members of the Commission shall serve in honorary capacity and shall