

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 427, April 01, 1974]

CREATING A PRESIDENTIAL TASK FORCE FOR THE INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT OF THE CAGAYAN VALLEY

WHEREAS, the Cagayan Valley covers a large area that has remained comparatively unresponsive to government efforts at integrated national development;

WHEREAS, this region can not be indefinitely excluded from the collective range of our economic goals in the face of its unexploited natural wealth and other potentials;

WHEREAS, foreign investors willing to participate in local ventures have indicated their readiness to establish their businesses in the Cagayan Valley should adequate government support and participation be provided;

WHEREAS, intermittent armed conflicts between government military forces and Maoist rebels cannot secure peace and order, both indispensable bases for growth.

WHEREAS, in view thereof, the region calls for immediate integrated development operations by a special task force that shall pool all government resources from its economic development, financial welfare and health agencies, as well as its military units;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution as Commander-in-Chief of all the Armed Forces of the Philippines, and pursuant to Proclamation No. 1081, dated September 21, 1972, and General Order No. 1, dated September 22, 1972, as amended, do hereby create a Presidential Task Force for the Integrated Development of the Cagayan Valley.

The Task Force shall be composed of the following:

The Secretary of National Defense	–	Chairman
The Executive Secretary	–	Vice-Chairman
The Secretary of Finance	–	Member
The Secretary of Public Works, Transportation and Communications	–	Member
The Secretary of Industry	–	Member
The Secretary of Agriculture & Natural Resources	–	Member
The Director-General National Economic and Development Authority	–	Member
The Secretary of Social Welfare	–	Member
The Secretary of Health	–	Member