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CREATING THE MANPOWER DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the proper development and wise utilization of critical manpower are essential to economic development in general and the attainment of the goals of the Four-Year Economic Development Program in particular;

WHEREAS, various institutions, public and private, are involved in planning, programming and executing activities related to manpower development;

WHEREAS, the integration and coordination of such activities are essential to establish an effective system of producing the manpower required for accelerated economic growth; and

WHEREAS, integration and coordination can best be achieved by centralizing responsibility and authority over manpower planning at the highest level;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby create the Manpower Development Council in the Office of the President.

1. The Council shall be composed of the following:

a.	The Secretary of Labor	Ex-Officio Chairman
b.	The Chairman, National Economic Council	
c.	The Secretary of Education	Member
d.	The Undersecretary of National Defense	Member
e.	The Director General, Presidential Economic Staff.	Member
f.	The Secretary of Community Development, PACD .	Member
g.	A representative of Private Management	Member
h.	A representative of Labor	Member

- 2. The Council shall be assisted by a technical staff to be composed of such personnel as may be assigned or detailed to it from the Department of Labor.
- 3. The Council shall have the following duties and functions:
- a. Develop an integrated long-term manpower plan as a component of the overall