

**[ EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 35, May 20, 1954 ]**

**PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE ORGANIZATION FOR NATIONAL SECURITY AND FOR THE COORDINATION AND UNIFIED DIRECTION OF NATIONAL MOBILIZATION PLANS AND POLICIES.**

By virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and Articles I and III of the National Defense Act, and in order to provide for the authoritative coordination and unified direction of all governmental functions and activities relating to the national security and to the preparation and execution of national mobilization plans and policies, I, RAMON MAGSAYSAY, President of the Philippines, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. National Security Council.- a. The Council of National Defense established under Section 6 of the National Defense Act, and as organized by Executive Order No. 330, dated July 1, 1950, which named it as the National Security Council, shall have the following functions:

- (1) To advise the President with respect to the integration of domestic, foreign and military policies relating to the national security so as to enable the armed services and the other departments and agencies of the Government to cooperate more effectively in matters involving the national security;
- (2) To assess and appraise the objectives, commitments and risks of the Philippines in relation to our actual and potential military power, in the interest of national security, for the purpose of making recommendation to the President in connection therewith;
- (3) To consider policies on matters of common interest to the departments and agencies of the Government concerned with the national security, and to make recommendation to the President in connection therewith;
- (4) To advise the President concerning the coordination of military, industrial and civilian mobilization, including –
  - (a) policies concerning industrial and civilian mobilization in order to assure the most effective mobilization and maximum utilization of the nation's manpower in the event of war;
  - (b) programs for the effective use in time of war of the nation's natural and industrial resources for military and civilian needs, for the maintenance and stabilization of the civilian economy in time of war, and for the adjustment of such economy to war needs and conditions;
  - (c) policies for unifying, in time of war, the activities of Government agencies and departments engaged in or

concerned with production, procurement, distribution, or transportation of military or civilian supplies, materials and products;

(d) the relationship between potential supplies of, and potential requirements for, manpower, resources and productive facilities in time of war;

(e) policies for establishing adequate reserves of strategic and critical material and for the conservation of these resources;

(f) the strategic relocation of industries, services, and government and economic activities, the continuous operation of which is essential to the nation's security.

b. In addition to the above functions, the Council shall, under the direction and on behalf of the President –

(1) prepare and maintain at all times plans for the effective mobilization in time of war of the nation's financial, industrial, economic and manpower resources and forces;

(2) direct, control and coordinate all mobilization activities and functions of the executive branch of the Government, including but not limited to production, procurement, manpower, stabilization, communications and transport activities and functions;

(3) direct and control the operational functions and activities of the National Intelligence Coordinating Agency;

(4) perform such other functions and duties as the President may direct as necessary and proper for the national security.

SEC. 2. a. The Council shall have a permanent staff to assist it in the performance of its functions and duties. The staff shall be composed of the permanent Secretary of the Council, as head, and not more than five Assistants who shall be permanently detailed thereto from such offices, branches or agencies of the Executive Department as the President may direct. Until otherwise provided by law and appropriations for this purpose, the Secretary and his Assistants shall continue to receive their compensation from the executive office, bureau, or agency from which they are detailed.

b. The Secretary of the Council is hereby authorized to appoint and fix the salaries of such personnel as may be necessary to enable the staff to perform the duties and functions required by the Council, subject to the availability of funds for this purpose.

c. In performing its functions, the Council shall utilize to the maximum extent the facilities and resources of the departments and agencies of the Government.

SEC. 3. National Intelligence Coordinating Agency. a. For the purpose of coordinating the intelligence activities of the several Government departments and agencies in the interest of national security, the National Intelligence Coordinating Agency, including the Coordinator of National Intelligence, shall hereafter perform