

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 661, December 23, 1953]

PRESCRIBING REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS OF MONEY FOR THE NATIONAL DEFENSE AND THE EXPENDITURE THEREOF

By virtue of the provisions of Commonwealth Act Numbered Thirty-three authorizing the President to receive and accept donations of money not subject to onerous condition, made for the purpose of the National Defense or support of the Philippine Army, I, ELPIDIO QUIRINO, President of the Philippines, do hereby promulgate the following regulations governing the receipt and acceptance of such donations of money and the expenditure thereof, for the information and guidance of all concerned:

1. All cashiers or collecting officers of the different Departments, bureaus and offices of the National Government; provincial, city and municipal treasurers; the Secretary of National Defense; the Chief of Staff; Commanding Officers of Major Services; the Chief of the Finance Service, AFP; the Commanders of Military Areas, Philippine Army; and Provincial Commanders of the Philippine Constabulary, are authorized to receive and accept, as the representatives of the President of the Philippines, donations of money for the national defense, issuing therefor the regular official receipts.
2. All donation collections shall, immediately at the end of the month, be turned over in cash or remitted to the Office of the Secretary of National Defense by treasury warrant, check, or money order accompanied by abstract, showing (1) date, (2) number of official receipt, (3) name of donor, (4) amount, and (5) purpose of donation, whether general or specific.
3. In the case, however, of organized campaigns under special authority granted any Government entity to solicit and receive voluntary contributions for donation by the entity concerned to the National Defense in cash or in the purchase of some particular implement of war for the use of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, the contributions received need not be remitted as required in paragraph two hereof, but the same may be retained and kept in deposit in the treasury of the respective entity, until the amount or quota needed is covered up, in which event the remittance will be made to the Office of the Secretary of National Defense.
4. The donations of money heretofore and hereafter received pursuant to Commonwealth Act No. 353 shall be kept and accounted for as a special fund, to be known as the national Defense Fund, under such