

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 473, August 25, 1951]

CREATING THE PHILIPPINE COMMITTEE ON GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES

By virtue of the powers vested in me by law, I, Elpidio Quirino, President of the Philippines, do hereby create and constitute a committee to be known as the Philippine Committee on Geographical Names, composed of the following:

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| The Executive Secretary | Chairman |
| The Director of the Census and Statistics | Member |
| The Director of Public Schools | Member |
| The Director of Lands | Member |
| The Director of Science and Technology | Member |
| The Director of Posts | Member |
| The Director of Coast and Geodetic Survey | Member |
| The Director of Public Libraries | Member |

The Committee shall establish a uniform usage in regard to geographic nomenclature and orthography throughout the executive departments of the Government, and particularly upon the maps and charts issued by the various departments, bureaus and offices. It shall decide all unsettled questions concerning geographical names which may arise in the departments, bureaus and offices and its decisions shall be accepted by them as the standard authority in such matters.

All departments, bureaus, offices, agencies and instrumentalities of the Government, including the corporations owned or controlled by it, are hereby enjoined to give such assistance as may be necessary to enable this Committee to carry on its work and activities, and to bring to the attention of all officers and employees under them, for their information and guidance, the provisions of this Executive Order.

The members of this Committee shall serve without additional compensation.

Executive Order No. 189, dated February 28, 1939, is hereby revoked.

Done in the City of Manila, this 25th day of August, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and fifty-one, and of the Independence of the Philippines, the sixth.

(SGD.) **ELPIDIO QUIRINO**
President of the Philippines

By the President: