

**[ EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 98, April 24, 1937 ]**

**AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 16, DATED FEBRUARY 3, 1936 ENTITLED "PROHIBITING THE AUTOMATIC RENEWAL OF CONTRACTS" BY REQUIRING PUBLIC BIDDING BEFORE ENTERING INTO NEW CONTRACTS**

Executive Order Numbered Sixteen, dated February third, nineteen hundred and thirty-six, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"WHEREAS, as a matter of general policy, it is in the interest of the public service that Government contracts for public services or for furnishing supplies, materials, and equipment to the Government be submitted to public bidding; and

"WHEREAS, when a Government contract has expired, to continue it automatically without again calling for bids is contrary to such policy;

Now, therefore, I, Manuel L. Quezon, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers in me vested by law, hereby direct that no contract for public service or for the furnishing supplies, materials, and equipment to the Government already in force or to be entered into for the first time by the Philippine Government or any of its branches, subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities shall be renewed or entered into without public bidding except for very extraordinary reasons and then only after the Auditor General, the Secretary of Justice, and the Secretary of the Department concerned have been consulted and my approval has been secured beforehand."

Done at the City of Washington, D. C. (for the City of Manila), this twenty-fourth day of April, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven, and of the Commonwealth of the Philippines, the second.

**(Sgd.) MANUEL L. QUEZON**  
*President of the Philippines*

By the President:

**(Sgd.) ELPIDIO QUIRINO**  
*Secretary of the Interior*



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