

[PROCLAMATION NO. 425, July 17, 1957]

**PROCLAIMING THE EXISTENCE OF STATUE OF PUBLIC CALAMITY
IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF MABINI, ALAMINOS, BANI, AGNO,
BURGOS, DASOL, AND INGANTA, PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN**

WHEREAS, the recent unprecedented flood in the municipalities of Mabini, Alaminos, Bani, Agno, Burgos, Dasol, and Infanta, province of Pangasinan, has caused tremendous destruction in life and property in said municipalities and threatens the inhabitants thereof with famine, disorder, and epidemic; and

WHEREAS, the crisis in the aforesaid municipalities maybe aggravated by the excessive increase in the price-of certain prime necessities of life;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Carlos P. Garcia, President of the Philippines, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Act No. 4164 of the Philippine Legislature, entitled "An Act to prevent the excessive increase in the price of certain prime necessities of life on the occasion of a public calamity, penalizing the violation thereof, and for other purposes," do hereby proclaim and certify that a state of public calamity exists in the above-mentioned municipalities, and during the existence of such calamity, it shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation in the aforesaid municipalities (1) to sell or offer for sale palay, rice, corn, cloth, milk, canned goods, sugar, and other foodstuffs, building and construction materials, at prices higher by twenty-five per cent or more over and above the average current local price of such commodities one month previous to the occurrence of such public calamity as may be determined by the Director of Commerce; and (2) to aggravate the crisis by refusing for the purpose of profiteering to sell at the legal price or by bidding, concealing, or hoarding the goods, or commodities for the same purpose.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

Done in the City of Manila, this 17th day of July, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, and of the Independence of the Philippines, the twelfth.

CARLOS P. GARCIA
President of the Philippines

By the President:

FORTUNATO DE LEON
Executive Secretary
