TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE REPUBLIC OF FRANCE

Note: The Treaty was concurred in by the Senate, S.R. No. 49, May 4, 1948. The Philippine instrument of ratification was signed by the President, April 19, 1950. It entered into force, April 19, 1950 upon the exchange of ratifications by the Parties. It was proclaimed by the President, Proc. No. 184, s. 1950.

Reference: This Treaty is also published in I DFA TS No. 3, p. 134. The presidential proclamation of the Treaty is published in 46 O.G., p. 1959 (May, 1950). The President of the French Republic and the President of the Republic of the Philippines, equally desirous of strengthening the ties of friendship by which their two countries are united, have resolved to conclude a Treaty to this effect and have designated as their respective plenipotentiaries:

The President of the French Republic:

His Excellency Monsieur **GEORGES BIDAULT**, Minister for Foreign Affairs,

The President of the Republic of the Philippines:

His Excellency **ELPIDIO QUIRINO**, Vice President of the Republic of the Philippines, and concurrently Secretary of Foreign Affairs, who, after having exchanged their full powers, found in good and due form, have agreed upon the following provisions:

ARTICLE 1.

There shall be between the French Republic and the Republic of the Philippines constant peace and perpetual friendship.

ARTICLE 2.

Each of the High Contracting Parties shall accredit to the other, subject to its approval, diplomatic representatives who, during the period of their mission, shall enjoy the rights, privileges and immunities generally recognized under international law and usage.

ARTICLE 3.

Each of the High Contracting Parties may appoint Consuls General, Consuls, Vice-Consuls or Consular Agents, in places designated by mutual agreement, in the territory of the other.

Such Consuls General, Consuls, Vice-Consuls or Consular Agents, duly provided with exequatur, shall exercise their functions under conditions to be determined by a Consular Convention which shall be concluded by the Parties at the earliest possible date.