

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 347, July 11, 2004]

AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 314

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 314 dated April 30, 2004, as amended by Executive Order No. 317 dated June 8, 2004, entitled "CREATING THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION ON VALUES FORMATION" was issued to institutionalize just and moral governance;

WHEREAS, there is a need to change the nature of the institution to keep the private sector nature of the desired membership;

NOW, THEREFORE I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. The Presidential Commission on Values Formation created by Executive Order No. 314 is hereby transformed into an Ad Hoc Council on Values Formation (AHCVF). The Council shall be headed by the President as Chairperson and the Secretary of Education as Vice-Chairperson. The rest of the membership of the Council shall be composed of religious leaders ad invited by the President.

Section 2. Except for the President and the Secretary of Education, the members of the Council shall retain their character as private citizens without government remuneration. The administrative requirements of the Council shall be served by a Secretary-General who shall be a government official.

Section 3. The Council shall be a means by which government may work hand-in-hand with civil society ant eh private sector in establishing a strong foundation for moral value formation in the government bureaucracy.

Section 4. The Council shall design and assist in the implementation of programs such as but not limited to seminars and congresses for the purpose of inculcating values such as honesty, modesty, integrity and good work ethics in the government bureaucracy.

Section 5. The Council may make recommendations to the President with regard to any duly supported and substantiated information on incorrigible and undesirable government personnel. Any member of the Council may appear as complainant in any cased filed pursuant to such recommendations before the appropriate agency.

Section 6. The Council shall coordinate with and support non-governmental organizations and the private secto5r in the effort to eradicate from the government bureaucracy he culture of graft and corruption, patronage politics, apathy, passivity, mendicancy, factionalism and lack of patriotism and o replace the same with honest public service and love of country.