

**[ PROCLAMATION NO. 265, February 23, 1956 ]**

**MAKING PUBLIC THE CONVENTION FOR THE SUPPRESSION OF  
THE TRAFFIC IN PERSONS AND OF THE EXPLOITATION OF THE  
PROSTITUTION OF OTHERS, MARCH 21, 1950, AND OF THE  
FINAL PROTOCOL THERETO**

WHEREAS, the Convention for the Suppression of the Traffic in Persons and of the Exploitation of the Prostitution of Others accompanied by a Final Protocol, was opened for signature at Lake Success, New York, on March 21, 1950, and signed by the authorized representatives of the Philippines and of other countries;

WHEREAS, Article 23 of the aforesaid Convention provides that it shall be ratified and the instruments of ratification shall be deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations;

WHEREAS, the Senate of the Congress of the Philippines, by its Resolution No. 82 adopted on May 5, 1952, did concur in the ratification of said Convention together with its Final Protocol in accordance with the Constitution of the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the instrument of ratification of the Philippines of the said Convention and its final Protocol signed by the President on August 20, 1952, was deposited on September 19, 1952 with the Secretary-General of the United Nations; and,

WHEREAS, the said Convention together with its Final Protocol entered into force in respect of the Philippines on December 18, 1952, in accordance with Article 24 thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that I, Ramon Magsaysay, President of the Philippines, have caused the said Convention for the Suppression of the Traffic in Persons and of the Exploitation of the Prostitution of Others and its annexed Final Protocol, to be made public to the end that the same and every article and clause thereof may be observed and fulfilled with good faith by the Republic of the Philippines and the citizens thereof.

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

Done in the City of Manila, this 23rd day of February, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and fifty-six, and of the Independence of the Philippines, the tenth.

RAMON MAGSAYSAY  
*President of the Philippines*

By the President:

FORTUNATO DE LEON  
*Acting Executive Secretary*