ESTABLISHING A CLASSIFICATION OF ROADS

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1. For the purpose of classifying and establishing the limits of public roads and fixing the responsibilities for the proper maintenance of the roads built or to be built, and upon the recommendation of the National Transportation Board created by Executive Order Numbered Forty-five, I, Manuel L. Quezon, President of the Philippines, do hereby establish the following classification of roads:

I. NATIONAL ROADS:

All roads now classified as Insular roads; main traffic routes connecting provincial capitals with important commercial centers, national airports, national seaports, and national parks and roads of military importance, which may be so designated by the President upon favorable recommendation of the Secretary of Public Works and Communications. National roads shall have a right-of-way of not less than twenty (20) meters.

II. PROVINCIAL ROADS:

All roads connecting one municipality with another municipality, the termini to be the public plazas; all roads extending from a municipality, or from a provincial or national road to a public wharf or railway station; and any other road which may be so designated by the Secretary of Public Works and Communications upon request of the Provincial Board concerned and upon favorable recommendation of the Director of Public Works. Provincial roads shall have a right-of-way of not less than fifteen meters.

III. MUNICIPAL ROADS:

All highways not included in the above classifications. Municipal roads shall have a right-of-way of not less than ten (10) meters.

2. Pursuant to the above classification, the following roads and streets are hereby designated as:

See Table in MOP, Bk 3, v.4, 141

GENERAL PROVISIONS

3. The construction, maintenance and improvement of national roads shall be accomplished by district and city engineers under the supervision of the Director of Public Works, and shall be financed from such appropriations as may be authorized by the Commonwealth Government in annual or special appropriation acts. The Secretry of Public Works and Communications shall also allot all funds collected under the provisions of section one thousand four hundred ninety-five of the Revised Administrative Code and Act Numbered Three thousand nine hundred ninety-two, as amended, with the exception of the twenty (20) per centum of said funds that accrue to the road and bridge funds of provinces and chartered cities, for the maintenance and improvement of national roads and whenever practicable or funds are not needed for maintenance purposes, for their construction.

4. The construction, maintenance, and improvement of provincial roads shall be accomplished by district engineers under the supervision of the Director of Public Works subject to existing laws, and shall be financed with provincial funds and such aid as may be authorized by the Commonwealth Government in annual

appropriation acts.

5. The construction, maintenance, and improvement of municipal roads shall be accomplished by the municipal governments concerned subject to existing laws, and shall be financed with municipal funds: Provided, however, That any municipal road of great importance to the province may, on request of the provincial board and upon favorable recommendation of the Director of Public Works, be classified as a provincial road by the Secretary of Public Works and Communications.

6. The Secretary of the Public Works and Communications shall cause the Director of Public Works to prepare from time to time a map showing the proposed system of national and provincial roads, which, upon approval by the President shall constitute the Official Road Map of thePhilippines.

7. Executive Order Numbered One, series of nineteen hundred and ten, Executive Order Numbered One hundred eighty-four, series of nineteen hundred and twenty-nine, and Executive Order Numbered Six hundred twenty-five, series of nineteen hundred and thirty-five, are hereby revoked.

This Order shall become effective on January first, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven.

Done at the City of Manila, this third day of December, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and thirty-six, and of the Commonwealth of the Philippines, the second.

MANUEL L. QUEZON
President of the Philippines

By the President:

ELPIDIO QUIRINO
Secretary of the Interior

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