

CREATING THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION TO REVIEW THE CODE OF FILIPINO MUSLIM LAWS

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 442, December 23, 1974

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WHEREAS, the codification of Philippine Muslim laws is one of the priority projects identified for the reconstruction and development of Mindanao and Sulu;

WHEREAS, the realization of the aspiration of the Filipino Muslims to have their system of laws enforced in their communities will reinforce the just struggle of the Filipino people to achieve national unity; and

WHEREAS, the Research Staff created under Memorandum Order No. 370 has already completed its assigned task towards the codification of Muslim laws.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution, do hereby create a Presidential Commission to Review the Code of Filipino Muslim Laws to be composed of the following:

1.

Dean, Institute of Islamic Studies, PCAS

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Chairman

2.

Representative, Supreme Court

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Vice-Chairman

3.

Representative, Department of Justice

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Member

4.

Representative, Integrated Bar Association of the Philippines

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Member

5.

Representative, Law Center , University of the Philippines

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Member

6.

Representative, Catholic Hierarchy of the Philippines

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Member

7.

Two (2) reputable Muslim lawyers

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Members

8.

Two (2) learned of Ulama

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Members

9.

Project Officer, Research Staff for Codification of Filipino Muslim Law

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Member

The Commission shall primarily consider the draft of the “Code on the Administration of Muslim Law of 1974” which was submitted by the Research Staff created under Memorandum Order No. 370.

The Office of the Research Staff created under Memorandum Order No. 370 shall serve as the Secretariat of the Commission.

The Commission is hereby authorized to call upon any department, bureau, office or agency of the government, including government-owned and/or controlled corporations for such assistance as it may need in the accomplishment of its task.

The amount of TWENTY-TWO THOUSAND (P22,000.00) PESOS needed for the use of the Presidential Commission to Review the Code of Filipino Muslim Law is hereby authorized to be released, chargeable against the funds appropriated for the implementation of the provisions of Proclamation No. 1081 and all Orders, Decrees and Instructions issued as a consequence of said Proclamation No. 1081.

Done in the City of Manila, this 23rd day of December, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and seventy-four.

(SGD.) FERDINAND E. MARCOS
President of the Philippines

By the President:

(SGD.) ALEJANDRO MELCHOR

Executive Secretary

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