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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 285

CREATING A COTABATO AND AGUSAN RIVER BASINS MULTI-PURPOSE
DEVELOPMENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE.

WHEREAS, there is a necessity of harnessing the Cotabato and Agusan Rivers for hydro-electric power, irrigation, domestic and industrial water supply, flood control, navigation, fish and wildlife preservation purposes;

WHEREAS, the project will hasten the development of the areas within the basins of the two rivers; and

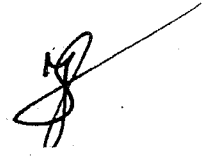
WHEREAS, for maximum utilization of the basins, it is necessary that a master plan for their development should be drawn up;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, do hereby create a Cotabato and Agusan River Basins Multi-Purpose Development Coordinating Committee to be composed of the following:

Chairman, National Economic Council....	Chairman
Director-General, Presidential Economic Staff	Vice-Chairman
Chairman-General Manager, Mindanao Development Authority	Executive Officer
General Manager, National Power Corporation	Member
General Manager, National Waterworks and Sewerage Authority	Member
Director of Public Works	Member
Administrator, National Irrigation Administration	Member
Commissioner of Public Highways	Member
Commissioner of Fisheries	Member
Director of Lands	Member
Director of Forestry	Member
Administrator, Irrigation Service Unit	Member

The Committee shall have the following functions:

1. To compile, collate and assess existing technical and engineering data and information and, on the basis thereof, draw up a program of additional data collection



necessary for a comprehensive water resources development plan;

2. To determine sources of funds needed to finance the data collection and in undertaking engineering studies;

3. To draw up a master or comprehensive water resources development plan for the two river basins;

4. To pinpoint responsibility of each participating agency;

5. To allocate costs and uses of the water for each multi-purpose use;

6. To recommend legislation for purposes of confirming the creation of the Coordinating Committee, defining its powers and providing funds for the purpose; and


7. To serve as a clearing house for all information and policy decisions with respect to the development of the projects.

The Committee may create such sub-committees as may be necessary in the performance of its functions.

The Committee may request any department, bureau, office, agency and instrumentality of the government, including government-owned or controlled corporations, for such assistance as it may need in the performance of its functions.

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

By the President:


FLORES BAYOT
Acting Executive Secretary

