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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

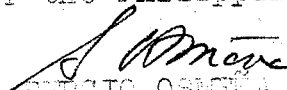
EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 51

TRANSFERRING CERTAIN POLICE AND LAW-ENFORCEMENT FUNCTIONS TO
THE CHIEF OF STAFF, ARMY OF THE PHILIPPINES, AND
AUTHORIZING HIM TO ORGANIZE A MILITARY POLICE COM-
MAND AND TO PRESCRIBE RULES FOR THE CONDUCT AND
ADMINISTRATION THEREOF.

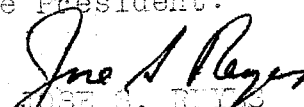
The public interest so requiring, I, SERGIO OSMEÑA,
President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested
in me by Commonwealth Act Numbered Six Hundred and seventy-
one, entitled "An Act Declaring a state of total emergency
as a result of war involving the Philippines and authorizing
the President to promulgate rules and regulations to meet
such emergency," do ordain and promulgate the following:

The function of preserving peace and maintaining law
and order in the Philippines which heretofore devolved upon
the Philippine Constabulary pursuant to the provisions of
Commonwealth Act Number 345, as approved on June 27, 1938,
Executive Order Number 153, dated June 25, 1938, and Execu-
tive Order Number 182, dated January 30, 1939, is hereby
transferred to the Chief of Staff, Philippine Army, who
shall exercise this function through a Provost Marshal
General, Philippine Army, and such Military Police Companies
and other units, officers, and enlisted men of the Philip-
pine Army as may be required. He shall be responsible for
the organization of these Military Police units and of other
officers and enlisted men of the Army of the Philippines into
a Military Police Command which shall be charged with the
execution of all police duties and functions heretofore
pertaining to the Philippine Constabulary and those speci-
fically assigned to him by the President. Subject to the
approval of the President, he may prescribe and issue regula-
tions for the organization, conduct and administration of
the Military Police Command.

Done at the City of Manila, Philippines, this 7th day
of June, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty-
five, and of the Commonwealth of the Philippines, the tenth.


SERGIO OSMEÑA
President of the Philippines

By the President:


JOSE C. REYES
Secretary to the President