

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 274

CREATING THE PRESIDENTIAL COUNCIL FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, it is State policy, under Section 13, Article 11 of the 1987 Constitution that "The State recognizes the vital role of the youth in nation-building and shall promote and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, and social well-being. It shall inculcate in the youth patriotism and nationalism, and encourage their involvement in public and civic affairs;"

WHEREAS, in pursuance of the aforesaid policy, there is a need to establish an office which shall serve as a direct link of the youth to the government in policy and programs formulation and implementation addressed to their needs;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CORAZON C. AQUINO, President of the Philippines, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. There is hereby created the Presidential Council for Youth Affairs, hereinafter referred to as the Council, under the Office of the President.

SECTION 2. The Council shall be composed of a Chairman and four (4) members to be appointed by the President. The Council members shall be at least twenty-one (21) years of age, but not older than thirty (30) years of age. The Council members must be of good moral character, must not have been convicted of any crime involving moral turpitude, and must have occupied a position of responsibility and leadership in established youth organizations. The Chairman and members shall serve at the pleasure of the President.

SECTION 3. The Council shall have the following functions and responsibilities

- (a) To recommend to the Office of the President, youth development projects and programs, in coordination and consultation with the youth sector and the concerned government departments and agencies;
- (b) To communicate and consult with the proper government department, on matters within the specific department's areas of interest and concern;

- (c) To set-up a consultative mechanism which shall provide a forum for continuing dialogue between the government and the youth sector on the proper planning and evaluation of programs and projects affecting the youth;
- (d) To conduct research and studies on youth related matters and concerns;
- (e) To participate in international functions requiring youth participation and implement foreign-sponsored youth projects, endorsed and assigned to it by the Office of the President;
- (f) To facilitate and coordinate the implementation in the Philippines of international youth programs, endorsed and assigned to it by the Office of the President;
- (g) To review existing legislation, policies and programs of the government relating to the youth, in consultation with the latter, and recommend appropriate action thereon;
- (h) To request the assistance and recommendations of any department, agency, or office in the performance of its duties;
- (i) Establish and endorse the organizational structure and staffing patterns of the Council to the President.
- (j) Appoint the necessary administrative and subordinate personnel, subject to the provisions of existing laws and regulations;
- (k) Suspend, dismiss, or otherwise discipline for cause any employee, and/or to approve or disapprove the appointment, transfer or detail of employees, subject to the provisions of existing laws and regulations;
- (l) Approve and submit to the Office of the President, reports on the progress and accomplishments of the Council's programs, and the annual and supplemental budgets of the Council;
- (m) To perform such other functions as may be authorized by the President.

SECTION 4. The President shall appoint a Chief Executive Officer for the Council, upon the recommendation of the Council and who shall be answerable to the Council members, and shall exercise the following functions:

- (a) To implement the policies, programs and decisions of the Council;
- (b) To supervise the operations and internal affairs of the Council, in close coordination with the Council members;
- (c) To attend to the administrative and technical needs of the Council;
- (d) To maintain the organizational structure and staffing patterns of the Council, in close coordination with the Council members;
- (e) To provide the Council with periodic reports on the performance and accomplishments of the Council projects and programs, as well as to recommend allocations of resources for such programs;
- (f) To recommend the annual and supplemental budgets of the Council office, for consideration and approval by the Council members;
- (g) To perform such other functions as may be authorized by the Council.

SECTION 5. The Kabataang Barangay National Secretariat, created under Executive Order No. 841, dated October 28, 1982, the Youth Development Affairs, and the Secretariat on Youth Affairs are hereby abolished.

There is hereby created a committee to oversee and supervise the winding up of the Kabataang barangay National Secretariat and the disposition of its assets, properties, records and equipment. The Committee shall be chaired by the Presidential Council for Youth Affairs Chairman, and shall be composed of the representatives of the Department of Education, Culture, and Sports (DECS), the Dept. of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), the Dept. of Local Governments (DLG), and the National Manpower and Youth Council (NMYC).

The appropriations, funds, properties, assets, records, equipment, and personnel of the Youth Development Affairs and the Secretariat on Youth Affairs are hereby transferred to the Council. The functions and remaining assets, properties, records, and equipment of the defunct Philippine Commission on International Youth Year (PCIYY) are transferred to the Council.

The amounts herein transferred shall be availed of by the Council for its current operating expenses. Thereafter, its approved budget shall be included in the General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 6. All laws, orders, issuances, rules, and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 25th day of July, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty-seven.

(SGD.) CORAZON C. AQUINO
President of the Philippines

By the President

SGD.) JOKER P. ARROYO
Executive Secretary

