[ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 4, February 21, 1966]

RECONSTITUTING THE PHILIPPINE PANEL TO THE RP-US JOINT VETERANS COMMISSION CHARGED WITH THE SETTLEMENT OF THE VETERANS CLAIMS OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AGAINST THE UNITED STATES

WHEREAS, Administrative Order No. 125 dated May 12, 1965, created the Philippine Panel to the RP-US Joint Veterans Commission charged with the settlement of the veterans claims of the Philippines against the United States;

WHEREAS, some members of said Panel were designated as such by virtue of the positions they were then occupying in the Philippine Government, which positions they no longer hold; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed necessary that the Philippine Panel be reconstituted to enable it to negotiate as soon as practicable with its United States Counterpart concerning these claims arising from World War II;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, pursuant to the powers vested in me by law, do hereby reconstitute the Philippine Panel to be composed of:

General Eulogio Balao — Chairman
Ambassador Eduardo Quintero — Vice-Chairman
Undersecretary of Defense for Munitions Manuel Syquio — Member
Congressman Simeon Valdez — Member
Colonel Lorenzo Camins — Member
PVA Deputy Administrator Juan Gaccad — Member
Speaker Cornelio T. Villareal — Adviser

The Philippine Panel shall be guided by the finding and recommendations of the Cabinet Veterans Affairs Committee in the conduct of its preparatory work and the actual discussions with the United States Panel. For this purpose, it may avail itself of the advice of Colonel Jesus Villamor as Consultant. The Panel is likewise authorized to engage the services of such technical assistants or persons as may be needed for the successful negotiation of the claims of the Philippines.

Done in the City of Manila, this 21st day of February, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred sixty-six.

(Sgd.) **FERDINAND E. MARCOS**
President of the Philippines