[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 27, April 19, 1954]

PROHIBITING THE USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS FOR THE ENTERTAINMENT OF VISITING OFFICIALS AND THE COLLECTION OF CONTRIBUTIONS FROM GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES FOR THE SAME PURPOSE.

WHEREAS, experience has shown that expenses incurred by local governments for the entertainment of inspecting or visiting members of the Cabinet or other ranking government officials constitute a heavy drain on their finances;

WHEREAS, these officials are provided with funds for their travelling expenses and are entitled to reimbursement of said expenses actually incurred by them in their official inspection or visit from the funds pertaining to their respective offices; and

WHEREAS, this administration is committed to the use of public funds for strictly official purposes;

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, I, RAMON MAGSAYSAY, President of the Philippines, do hereby prohibit the use of local governments' funds for the entertainment of any government official who may be on official inspection or visit in the provinces, cities or municipalities, and enjoin provincial, city and municipal officials from tendering any such entertainments even if chargeable against private funds. I also prohibit the collection of contributions from government officials and employees for the same purpose.

Done in the City of Manila, this 19th day of April, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and fifty-four, and of the Independence of the Philippines, the eighth.

(Sgd.) **RAMON MAGSAYSAY**President of the Philippines

By the President: (Sgd.) **FRED RUIZ CASTRO** Executive Secretary



