

[**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 73, September 30, 1954**]

CREATING A SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO DETERMINE PRESENT AND FUTURE REAL ESTATE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE NATIONAL DEFENSE PROGRAM.

For the purpose of investigating and determining the most expeditious, feasible and economical method of liquidating and disposing of real estate comprising military reservations acquired or to be acquired from the United States which are not presently utilized or programmed for use by the Armed Forces and of procuring by the Government of such lands as may be required for the present and future national defense program with due regard to furthering the Philippine effort of mutual defense with the United States, I, RAMON MAGSAYSAY, President of the Philippines, do hereby create a special committee, composed of the following:

Hon. Sotero Cabahug, Secretary of National Defense	Chairman
Hon. Pedro Tuason, Secretary of Justice	Member
Hon. Ambrosio Padilla, Solicitor General	Member
Lieut. General Jesus Vargas, Chief of Staff, Armed Forces of the Philippines	Member
Brig. General Pelagio Cruz, Commanding Officer, Philippine Air Force	Member
Commodore Jose Francisco, Flag Officer in Command, Philippine Navy	Member

The Committee is authorized to meet with appropriate United States officials to jointly determine the present and future real estate requirements for defense installations in the Philippines for the mutual defense program.

The Committee is also authorized to call upon any Department, bureau, office, agency or instrumentality of the Government, or upon any officer or employee thereof, for such assistance and information as it may require in the performance of its work, and, for the purpose of securing such information, it shall have access to, and the right to examine, any books, documents, papers, or records thereof.

The Committee shall submit its findings and recommendations to the President of the Philippines within the shortest possible time.