

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 546, November 10, 1952]

**APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR RELIEF IN THE PROVINCES AND
CITIES VISITED BY TYPHOONS, FLOODS, DROUGHTS,
EARTHQUAKES, VOLCANIC ACTION, AND OTHER CALAMITIES,
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, the Congress in its last special session has utterly failed to approve legislation appropriating funds for relief in the provinces and cities recently visited by typhoons, floods, droughts, earthquakes, volcanic action and other calamities and for aid to the provinces and cities affected to enable them to rehabilitate or replace the government services or installations therein destroyed;

WHEREAS, the extension of relief cannot be delayed without seriously aggravating the plight of the victims of said calamities and paralyzing the essential public services in the provinces and cities involved; and

WHEREAS, the resulting emergency has created a situation which renders it absolutely necessary for the Government to take immediate steps to enable it to fulfill its responsibilities and maintain and enforce its authority;

NOW, THEREFORE, I ELPIDIO QUIRINO, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and Commonwealth Act No. 671, known as the Emergency Power Law, and upon the insistent and strong appeal of the House of Representatives as expressed in its Resolution No. 9, adopted November 8, 1952, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The following sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any funds in the National Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be expended for assistance to the victims of, and for the rehabilitation or replacement of services or installations damaged by, typhoons, floods, droughts, earthquakes, volcanic action, and other calamities, including the purchase of supplies and materials necessary to increase food production in the areas affected:

A. SOCIAL WELFARE ADMINISTRATION

For the purchase of building materials, food supplies, clothing and other relief goods, including the expenses for the procurement	
1. and distribution of the same	P4,996, 600.00
For aid to the Philippine National Red Cross	
2. including the acquisition of blood plasma	P375, 000.00
Total for the Social Welfare Administration	P5, 371, 600.00

B. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE