

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 342, August 14, 1950]

DEFINING THE CEILING PRICES OF COMMODITIES FOR THE CITY OF MANILA AND SUBURBS, THE PROVINCES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By virtue of the powers vested in me by section 3 of Republic Act No. 509, entitled "An Act declaring national policy, authorizing the President of the Philippines for a limited period to fix ceiling prices of commodities and to promulgate rules and regulations regarding prices of commodities to effectuate such policy, and authorizing the appropriation of a certain sum for the purpose," and upon the recommendation of the Price Administration Board, I, Elpidio Quirino, President of the Philippines, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The Price Administration Board is hereby authorized to fix the ceiling prices of commodities for the different provinces of the Philippines by adding the transportation and handling charges to the basic ceiling prices fixed for the City of Manila and suburbs in accordance with the zones herein established, as follows:

(a) *For Zone No. 1* comprising the provinces of Bataan, Batangas, Bulacan, Cavite, Cebu, Iloilo, Laguna, Mindoro (Oriental), Pampanga, Quezon, Rizal, Tarlac and Zambales, P0.01 per, pound or fraction thereof.

(b) *For Zone No. 2* comprising the provinces of Albay, Antique, Bohol, Camarines Norte, Camarines Sur, Capiz, Catanduanes, La Union, Leyte, Marinduque, Masbate, Mindoro (Occidental), Negros Occidental, Negros Oriental, Nueva Ecija, Pangasinan, Romblon, Samar and Sorsogon, P0.02 per pound or fraction thereof.

(c) *For Zone No. 3* comprising the provinces of Aogsan, Basilan, Davao, Ilocos Sur, Lanao, Misamis Occidental, Misamis Oriental, Mountain Province, Nueva Vizcaya, Surigao and Zamboanga, ?0.03, per pound or fraction thereof.

(d) *For Zone No. 4* comprising the provinces of Abra, Bukidnon, Cagayan, Cotabato, Ilocos Norte, Isabela, Palawan and Sulu, P0.04 per pound or fraction thereof.

(e) *For Zone No. 5* comprising the Province of Batanes, P0.05 per pound or fraction thereof.

SEC. 2. This Order shall take effect upon its promulgation.

Done in the City of Manila, this 14th day of August, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and fifty, and of the Independence of the Philippines, the fifth.

(SGD.) **ELPIDIO QUIRINO**
President of the Philippines