

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 68, December 01, 1936]

**CREATING A FLOOD CONTROL COMMISSION TO ADVISE THE
GOVERNMENT IN THE PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION OF RIVER
AND SEA PROTECTION AND OTHER RELATED WORKS**

Whereas the planning and construction of flood control, sea protection and other related works to prevent or minimize danger to life and damage to property caused by floods and the erosive action of rivers and the sea should be made a subject of careful investigation and study so as to insure satisfactory and, as much as possible, lasting results consistent with economy in the expenditure of public funds;

Now, therefore, I, Manuel L. Quezon, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers in me vested by law, do hereby constitute and create a Flood Control Commission composed of the Director of Public Works as Chairman, and one representative from each of the following entities to be designated by the President from time to time, as members:

- (1) Bureau of Forestry;
- (2) Manila Railroad Company;
- (3) Metropolitan Water District;
- (4) College of Engineering, University of the Philippines;
- (5) National Research Council; and
- (6) A civil engineer in private practice.

This Commission shall serve in an advisory capacity to the Government, its branches, subdivisions, agencies, and instrumentalities in connection with the investigation, planning, and construction of flood control and sea protection and other related works, and in order to accomplish this purpose shall:

(a) Examine any data and plan that may be submitted by any of the Government entities above referred to for river or sea protection and other related works;

(b) Conduct such investigation as may be necessary to determine the feasibility of the projects submitted to its consideration or of such other projects and works as in its opinion should be undertaken by any of the Government entities above referred to in order to accomplish the objectives contemplated in this Executive Order; and

(c) Draft such proposed legislation as may be necessary to put into effect the plans and schemes finally evolved and adopted by it, including a system of financing the effective prosecution thereof.

This Commission shall meet within one month after the appointment of all its members for the purposes of organizing and preparing plans for its work and shall thereafter hold meetings once a month or as often as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Order.