

[PROCLAMATION NO. 184, May 12, 1950]

**MAKING PUBLIC THE TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE
REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE FRENCH REPUBLIC.**

WHEREAS, a Treaty of Friendship between the Republic of the Philippines and the French Republic, designed to strengthen the ties of friendship by which the two countries are united, was concluded and signed by the respective Plenipotentiaries of the two Governments at Paris, on June 26, 1947;

WHEREAS, the Senate of the Philippines, by its Resolution No. 49, adopted on May 4, 1948, concurred in the making of the said Treaty of Friendship, subject to the following reservation:

“RESOLVED, That the Senate of the Philippines concur, as it hereby concurs, in the Treaty of Friendship between the French Republic and the Republic of the Philippines which was concluded and signed at Paris on June twenty-six, nineteen hundred and forty-seven, with the understanding, that nothing in the treaty shall be construed as affecting, altering, amending or repealing any of the existing constitutional provisions, statutes, or laws, of the Republic of the Philippines prohibiting aliens, or limiting or regulating their rights to acquire, possess, and dispose of movable or immovable property, to establish and maintain schools of learning, to reside and travel, and to engage in trade, industry, and other pursuits.”

WHEREAS, the said Treaty has been duly ratified and confirmed by the President of the Philippines subject to the reservation in the resolution of concurrence of the Philippine Senate, quoted above;

WHEREAS, the said Treaty has been duly ratified by the Government of the French Republic;

WHEREAS, the instruments of ratification of the two Governments were exchanged at Baguio, Philippines, on April 19, 1950; and

WHEREAS, it is stipulated in the said Treaty that it shall enter into force on the date of the exchange of the instruments of ratification.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that I, Elpidio Quirino, President of the Philippines, have caused the said Treaty, a certified copy of which is hereto annexed, to be made public to the end that the same and every article and clause thereof may be observed and fulfilled with good faith by the Republic of the Philippines and the citizens thereof, subject to the aforesaid reservation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

Done in the City of Manila, this 12th day of May, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and fifty, and of the Independence of the Philippines, the fourth.