

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER No. 169

PRESCRIBING REGULATIONS FOR THE PAYMENT OF RELIEF TO VICTIMS OF OPERATIONS AND ACTIONS AGAINST DISSIDENTS, PAYABLE FROM THE APPROPRIATIONS PROVIDED FOR THE SOCIAL WELFARE ADMINISTRATION UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 563, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 575 AND EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 392 DATED JANUARY 1, 1951.

WHEREAS, it is urgently necessary that relief to victims of operations and actions against dissidents as provided under Republic Act No. 563, as amended by Republic Act No. 575 and Executive Order No. 392 dated January 1, 1951, be granted as expeditiously as possible;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Elpidio Quirino, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby prescribe the following regulations for carrying out effectively the provisions of said Act:

1. Applications for relief shall be filed in any Social Welfare Administration branch office in an "application for aid" form approved for such cases.
2. All such applications shall be duly registered as cases of the Social Welfare Administration.
3. A social investigation of each case shall be conducted to determine the need for help.
4. Eligibility shall be established through documentary evidence, such as death certificates, affidavits of destruction and cause, certificates of the value of property de-

stroyed, and certificates of amounts spent for medical or burial expenses.

5. Subject to the availability of funds, grants shall be extended at not exceeding the following rates:

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| (a) For medical expenses due to injuries | a maximum of P25 per person and not exceeding P100 per family in case more than one member is injured. |
| (b) For total incapacity of a bread earner or head of a family | a maximum of P100 |
| (c) For the death of a member of the family | a maximum of 25 |
| (d) For the death of the head of the family or bread earner | a maximum of 200 |
| (e) For the loss of homes or possessions | a maximum of 100 |

Provided, however, That with the exception of claims falling under class (e), only one of the various forms of relief falling under (a) to (d) shall be paid, should the victims be entitled to more than one of such reliefs.

6. The Social Welfare Administration shall, subject to the usual auditing regulations, have the authority to approve such grants.

Done in the City of Manila, this 1st day of November, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and fifty-one, and of the Independence of the Philippines, the sixth.

ELPIDIO QUIRINO

President of the Philippines

By the President:

MARCIANO ROQUE

Acting Assistant Executive Secretary