

Malacañang
Manila

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 279

CREATING A SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO PLAN, SUPERVISE AND DIRECT AN INFORMATION AND EDUCATIONAL RADIO PROGRAM FOR THE RURAL AREAS TO BE CONDUCTED THROUGH THE RADIO FACILITIES DONATED THROUGH THE COMMITTEE FOR AMERICAN RELIEF EVERYWHERE (CARE).

WHEREAS, one of the outstanding achievements of the President's recent state visit to the United States was its success in arousing interest among private individuals and civic organizations to assist the Philippines in combatting communist expansion through an extensive radio information and educational campaign;

WHEREAS, through the Committee for American Relief Everywhere (CARE), the people of the United States have donated an initial one thousand (1,000) transistor radios especially constructed for barrio use; and

WHEREAS, CARE will continue to receive contributions for more radios until it is hoped all of the Philippines' 19,000 barrios will each have at least one radio-receiving set;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CARLOS P. GARCIA, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby create a special committee to plan, supervise and direct an information and educational program especially beamed for the rural areas, to be composed of the following:

1. The Undersecretary of National Defense Chairman
2. Mr. Bernardo G. Silverio Vice-Chairman
3. Mr. Carlos F. Nivora Executive Director
4. The Director of Public Schools Member
5. The Presidential Assistant on Community Development, or his authorized representative Member
6. The Manager of Station DZFM, or his authorized representative Member
7. The Chairman of the Radio Control Board Member

The Philippine representative of CARE will serve with the committee in a consultative status.

Carlos P. Garcia
President

The duties and responsibilities of this committee are as follows:

1. To study the best possible location for each radio-receiving set in consultation with the CARE representative;
2. To arrange for the distribution of the radio-receiving sets;
3. To prepare rules and regulations governing the custody and use of each radio set;
4. To prepare a program of information and education to be aired over:
 - a. National broadcasting stations, principally the government-owned station D4FM;
 - b. Various local stations.
5. To set up a machinery to insure continuous production of programs to serve these and other barrio radio-receiving sets;
6. To set up a machinery to supervise the use of these radio sets.

This committee shall be responsible to the President of the Philippines and shall submit a report periodically or as often as required by the President.

Committee members shall serve without compensation. However, expenses incurred in carrying out the program shall be paid from funds to be provided in consultation with the Commissioner of the Budget.

Done in the City of Manila, this 23rd day of September, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and fifty-eight, and of the Independence of the Philippines, the thirteenth.

Concepcion Garcia

By the President:

[Signature]
JUAN C. PASO
Executive Secretary