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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 40

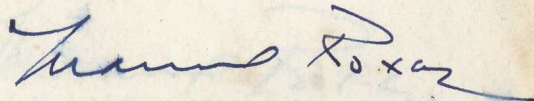
CREATING THE COUNCIL OF NATIONAL DEFENSE

Pursuant to the powers vested in me by law, I, MANUEL ROXAS, President of the Philippines, do hereby create a Council of National Defense, which shall be composed of the President, the Vice-President, the Head of each Executive Department, the Honorable Salipada Pendatun, Chairman of the Committee on the Army, Navy and Military Pensions of the Senate, the Honorable Juan S. Alano, Chairman of the National Defense Committee of the House of Representatives, the Honorable Tomas Cabili, Member of the Committee on the Army, Navy and Military Pensions of the Senate, the Honorable Hermenegildo Atienza, Member of the National Defense Committee of the House of Representatives, the Honorable Leandro A. Tojong, Member of the National Defense Committee of the House of Representatives, Major General Rafael Jalandoni, Chief of Staff of the Philippine Army, and Brigadier General Macario Peralta, Jr., Chairman of the Philippine Veterans Board. Colonel Jose V. Andrada shall serve as Secretary of the Council.

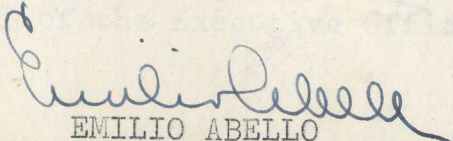
The Council shall advise the President on matters of national defense and shall make recommendations on such other subjects as the President may from time to time submit for study and consideration.

This Order supersedes Executive Order No. 3, dated November 16, 1935.

Done in the City of Manila, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty-seven, and of the Independence of the Philippines, the first.



By the President:



EMILIO ABELLO  
Chief of the Executive Office