MALACAÑAN PALACE MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 70

DECLARING CIVILIAN VOLUNTEERS WHO WERE MEMBERS OF RECOGNIZED GUERRILLA UNITS AS HAVING THE EQUIVALENT TRAINING OF THOSE WHO HAVE COMPLETED TRAINEE INSTRUCTION AND AS CONSTITUTING A PART OF THE RESERVE UNITS.

WHEREAS, sub-paragraph 2 of paragraph 3, Section 52 of the National Defense Act, as amended by Commonwealth Act No. 569 dated June 7, 1940, provides as follows:

"First Reserve.- Those between the ages of twentytwo and thirty-one years, both inclusive, and including also all those who have completed trainee instruction or its equivalent even though they may not have attained the age of twenty-two";

WHEREAS, the trained reserve for the military service of the country is at present depleted due to casualty losses occasioned by the war;

WHEREAS, the civilian volunteers during the war, whose services were recognized, are now separated from the military service; and

WHEREAS, said civilian volunteers, by reason of their varied and accumulated experiences gained in combat, are among the best qualified to serve the military needs of the country;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MANUEL ROXAS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare civilian volunteers who were members of duly recognized guerrilla units as having the equivalent training of those who have completed trainee instruction and as constituting a part of the Reserve Units.

Done at the City of Manila, this 29th day of July, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty-seven, and of the Independence of the Philippines, the second.

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By the President:

EMILIO ABELLO Chief of the Executive Office