

MALACAÑAN PALACE  
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 473

CREATING THE PHILIPPINE COMMITTEE ON  
GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES

By virtue of the powers vested in me by law, I, Elpidio Quirino, President of the Philippines, do hereby create and constitute a committee to be known as the Philippine Committee on Geographical Names, composed of the following:

The Executive Secretary .....	Chairman
The Director of the Census and Statistics ....	Member
The Director of Public Schools .....	Member
The Director of Lands .....	Member
The Director of Science and Technology .....	Member
The Director of Posts .....	Member
The Director of Coast and Geodetic Survey..	Member
The Director of Public Libraries .....	Member

The Committee shall establish a uniform usage in regard to geographic nomenclature and orthography throughout the executive departments of the Government, and particularly upon the maps and charts issued by the various departments, bureaus and offices. It shall decide all unsettled questions concerning geographical names which may arise in the departments, bureaus and offices and its decisions shall be accepted by them as the standard authority in such matters.

All departments, bureaus, offices, agencies and instrumentalities of the Government, including the corporations owned or controlled by it, are hereby enjoined to give such assistance as may be necessary to enable this Committee to carry on its work and activities, and to bring to the attention of all officers and employees under them, for their information and guidance, the provisions of this Executive Order.

The members of this Committee shall serve without additional compensation.

Executive Order No. 189, dated February 28, 1939, is hereby revoked.

Done in the City of Manila, this 25th day of August, 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*