## MALACAÑANG MANILA

## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 318

AMENDING SECTIONS 2(a-i) and 3(a) OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 308, "PRO-VIDING FOR THE REORGANIZATION OF THE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCILS."

WHEREAS, there is a need to provide for a wider membership of the Regional Consultative Assemblies to make these more effective as deliberative and consultative bodies to advise, assist, support and cooperate with the Regional Development Councils in discharging their functions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CORAZON C. AQUINO, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Section 2(a-i) of Executive Order No. 308 providing for the reorganization of the Regional Development Councils is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(i) All provincial Governors and Mayors of chartered cities; Mayors of municipalities designated as Provincial Capital of provinces where there are no chartered cities; and Mayors of the regional center in each region;"

SECTION 2. Section 3(a) is hereby amended to read as follows:

- "SECTION 3. Regional Consultative Assembly. To strengthen further coordinative and consultative efforts in the region, there is hereby created in every region a Regional Consultative Assembly herein referred to as the Assembly to serve as a deliberative and consultative body to advise, assist, support and cooperate with the Council in discharging its functions.
- a. Membership in the Assembly. The Assembly shall be composed of the members of the House of Representatives of the Philippine Congress representing the provinces and districts of the region when authorized by Resolution of the House; members of the Regional Development Council and its sectoral committees; heads of other national government agencies in the region; and upon invitation of the Council, representatives of non-government organizations, sectarian organizations and the academe in the region nominated by the said entities.

The Assembly may meet as often as necessary but not less than once a semester."

SECTION 3. Section 4 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 4. Chairmanship of the Council. The Council shall be headed by a Chairman who shall be appointed by the President. The President shall appoint a Co-Chairman to exercise such functions as the President may designate, provided that the co-chairman comes from the private sector if the chairman is from the public sector or vice-versa. The Regional Director of the NEDA Secretariat shall be Vice-Chairman of the Council.

The Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council shall be the ex-officio Chairman and Vice-Chairman, respectively, of the Assembly."

SECTION 4. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 12th day of February, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty-eight.

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By the President:

Executive Secretry