

Executive Order No. 334

To amend Executive Order No. 175 and appoint new members to Palau's National Commission on UNESCO.

WHEREAS, in an effort to advance the organizational goals and objectives so stated, the Republic of Palau did become a full-fledged Member State of the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) on October 22, 1999: and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the objectives of UNESCO, President Kuniwo Nakamura established the Palau National Commission on UNESCO, which is established under Article VII of the UNESCO Constitution, with the general purpose to involve in UNESCO's activities the various ministerial departments, agencies, institutions, organizations, and individuals within the Republic of Palau working for the advancement of education, science, culture, and information worldwide; and

WHEREAS, in recent years the Commission has fallen into disuse and must be re-formed in a manner that aligns with Palau's policy of environmental protection: and

NOW THEREFORE, by the authority vested in me as President, pursuant 2 PNC §§ 109 and 110, and the Constitution of the Republic of Palau, it is hereby ordered that Executive Order No. 175 is amended to state as follows:

"I. Composition and Organization

The National Commission (hereinafter "Commission") shall consist of the following:

- A. The Commission shall be chaired by the Minister of Community and Cultural Affairs.
- B. The Secretary General, who shall act as the administrative officer of the Commission, shall be the Director of Education Administration.
- C. The following regular members:
 - 1. Minister of Education
 - 2. Minister of Resources, Environment, and Tourism
 - 3. Minister of State
 - 4. Director, Bureau of International Trade & Technical Assistance

5. Director, Bureau of Education Administration
6. Director, Bureau of Arts and Culture
7. Director, Bureau of Environment
8. CEO of Palau International Coral Reef Center
9. One member from the Koror State Government, to be appointed by the Governor.

II. Selection and Removal

All members of the Commission are appointed by the President and serve at his pleasure.

III. Compensation and Funding

The Chairman, Secretary General, and Members all serve without compensation; all duties performed by an individual on behalf of the Commission will be in addition to his or her regular duties if a government employee; however, government employees shall be permitted to take administrative leave to perform their duties with the Commission. It is expected that each organization that sponsors a Member to the Commission shall assume the reasonable expenses incurred in the course of their service. UNESCO may provide funding for capital expenditures. The Commission is hereby authorized to expend funds received from UNESCO and any other sources in the form of grants-in-aid, except that such expenditures shall not be utilized in the form of compensation.

IV. Authority and Responsibilities

The Commission shall, as appropriate: Encourage participation of national, governmental and non-governmental institutions, and various individuals in the formulation and execution of UNESCO's programs so as to secure for it all the intellectual, scientific, artistic, or administrative assistance that it may require; disseminate information on the objectives, programs, and activities of UNESCO and to arouse public interest in them; to carry out other functions as may be required and as are consistent with the UNESCO Constitution, the Charter of National Commissions for UNESCO, and the Charter of the United Nations."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this May 14, 2013, at Koror, Republic of Palau.

/s/

Tommy E. Remengesau, Jr.
President
Republic of Palau