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BY THE ACTING GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO

## AN EXECUTIVE ORDER

Creating an Organization to be Dedicated to the Development and Coordination of the Cooperativist Activities of the Government of Puerto Rico

## Creation of the Organization and Appointment.

An office of Cooperative Development is hereby established in the Office of the Governor. I hereby appoint Mr. Ramón Colón Torres as Director of same, which appointment shall be in effect when the new Secretary of Agriculture takes office. Functions.

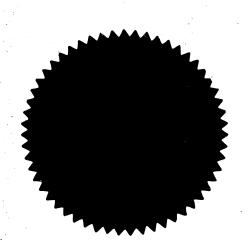
The performance of the following functions is recommended to this office:

- 1. To promote and hasten the continual development of the cooperative movement in all its phases, through the public organizations dedicated to that purpose.
- 2. To coordinate the various cooperative programs of the Government of Puerto Rico to assure the harmonious and effective development of same. Special attention will be given those progams being carried out at present by the Department of Agriculture and Commerce; the Bank of Cooperatives; the Agricultural Extension Service and the Industrial Development Company; as well as those of the Department of Education and the University of Puerto Rico having an educational nature.
- 3. To submit a report to the Governor on the permanent organization deemed most appropriate to the better discharge of the functions related with the promotion and development of the

cooperative movement. This report should contain recommendations on the possible integration into the organization of those other public functions closely related to the cooperative movement, and shall be the basis for recommendations to the Legislature.

Authority.

The director of this office is hereby authorized to exercise the powers necessary so as to promote the growth and complete coordination of the cooperative movement, including, but not limiting, the determination of objectives and norms; the assigning of projects and tasks to other Government agencies; and the request of the information necessary for the better discharge of its function.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused
the Great Seal of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico to be
affixed, at the City of San
Juan, this 29th. day of July,
A. D. nineteen hundred and
fifty-five.

(Sgd.) ROBERTO SANCHEZ VILELLA Acting Governor

Promulgated according to law, this 29th. day of July, 1955.

(Sgd.) N. ALMIROTY Assistant Secretary of State