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SUBJECT: Installation of the Consultative Council

The organization of the Consultative Council was formulated by Law-Decree No. 28 published in the Official Gazette, Extraordinary Edition No. 48, of April 25, 1952. The Decree states that the Council will be composed of a President, a Vice President, two Secretaries and 76 members. (The resignation of Conrado RODRIGUEZ before the first meeting of the Council leaves one seat to be filled.) The Decree states that Council members will receive per diem of 30 pesos per session of the Council or meetings of committees up to a maximum of 600 pesos per month. The President of the Council is given a representation allowance of 600 pesos per month. Each Council member is entitled to a private secretary at a salary of 150 pesos per month. The Decree specifies that funds, personnel, office space and equipment are to be provided from those allocated to the Congress and administered by the Administrative Chief of Congress (Candido MORA).

A translation of this Law-Decree and 5 copies from the Official Gazette are enclosed. A revised list of the members of the Consultative Council is included as enclosure 3.

For the Ambassador:

Earl T. Crain
Acting Counselor of Embassy

Enclosures:

- No. 1 - Translation of Law-Decree No. 28
- No. 2 - 5 copies of Law-Decree No. 28 from Official Gazette
- No. 3 - List of members of Consultative Council

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Translation of Law-Decree No. 28 (published in the Official Gazette, Extraordinary Edition No. 48, April 25, 1952)

WHEREAS: The Council of Ministers, in accordance with the faculties conferred upon it by the current Constitutional Law of the Republic, has resolved that the Consultative Council, created by said Constitutional Law, shall be made up of a President, a Vice President, two Secretaries, and 76 members.

WHEREAS: Article 142 of the Constitutional Law establishes that the members of the Consultative Council will receive per diem for attendance at sessions in the quantity decided by the Council of Ministers.

WHEREAS: The second part of the Second Final Transitory Disposition of the Constitutional Law determines that the Council of Ministers will decide the procedure for assigning employees of the Congress to the Consultative Council, as well as to provide for the payment of allotments and the preservation of the building of the Congress.

WHEREAS: The special character of the Consultative Council and its functions makes it advisable to exclude its members from the obligations and benefits of the State retirement and pension laws, respecting those rights and duties, of course, in those employees transferred or commissioned to work with the Consultative Council, whose appointments are subject to the disposition of the respective pension or retirement laws.

WHEREAS: It is also necessary to determine the means and the form of providing the economic resources to satisfy the obligations of the Consultative Council and to give it the necessary facilities for its installation and functioning.

Therefore, in use of the faculties conferred by the Constitutional Law of the Republic, the Council of Ministers resolves the following:

Law-Decree No. 28

First: Each Councilor is assigned per diem of 30 pesos for each public session or attendance at working or study committee sessions, but in no case will receive more than 600 pesos per month. The President of the Consultative Council will receive in addition an allowance of 600 pesos per month for representation expenses.

Second: Each Councilor may designate a private secretary. Private secretaries are assigned a salary of 150 pesos per month.

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Third: Councilors and their private secretaries are not subject to discounts for retirement or pension from the State.

Fourth: The expenses referred to in Articles first and second of this Law-Decree are chargeable to the allotments from the current General Budgets of the State for the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic.

Fifth: The President of the Consultative Council, or the person he expressly designates, will certify the payroll and receipts and the Administrative Chief of the Congress /Candido MORA/, referred to in Law-Decree No. 6 of April 4, 1952, will be charged with the accounting and payment of such obligations. For this purpose the said Administrative Chief will organize the Administrative Offices for the accounting and payment of the obligations of the Consultative Council, with the personnel of the Congress, in the location, and with the furniture and equipment he deems necessary. He will also provide the Consultative Council with office furniture, machinery, equipment, materials and the necessary personnel from those assigned to the Congress for the installation, functioning and work of the Consultative Council and of the Councilors in particular.

Sixth: The second paragraph of Article 17 of Law No. 11 of 1949 will be applicable to the expenses of the Consultative Council which are charged to the appropriation for the Congress.

Given in the Palace of the Presidency in Habana this 24th day of April 1952.

Fulgencio Batista

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The complete list of the Consultative Council follows, including second surnames of the members, as published in the Official Gazette of April 24:

1. Carlos SALADRIGAS Zayas, President
 2. Jorge GARCIA Montes y Hernández, Vice President
 3. José Elias OLIVELLA Lastra, Secretary
 4. Walfredo J. RODRIGUEZ Blanca, Secretary
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| 5. Miguel VARONA Guerrero | 43. Burke O. HEDGES McCormick |
| 6. Generoso CAMPOS Marquetti | 44. Manuel SOTO Fraga |
| 7. Hatuey AGUERO Espinosa | 45. Ricardo EGUILIOR Vinent |
| 8. Manuel PANDO Armand | 46. Manuel QUEVEDO Jaureguizar |
| 9. Manuel ASPURU San Pedro | 47. Carlos TORRES de Navarra |
| 10. Manuel GARCIA Herrera | 48. Jorge HERRERA Morales |
| 11. German LOPEZ Sanchez | 49. Luis LORET DE MOLA Bueno |
| 12. Jorge BARROSO Piñar | 50. Guillermo de ZALDO Castro |
| 13. Fernando DE LA RIVA Dominguez | 51. Carlos M. FERRETTI Vidal |
| 14. Pastor TORRES Sanchez | 52. Armando MARIBONA Pujol |
| 15. Angel PARDO Jimenez | 53. Guillermo AGUILERA Sanchez |
| 16. Francisco HERNANDEZ | 54. Alfonso FANJUL Estrada |
| 17. Eusebio MUJAL Barniol | 55. Evelio GOVANTES Fuertes |
| 18. José PEREZ Gonzalez | 56. Carlos Miguel de CESPEDES
Ortiz |
| 19. Felipe SAVIGNE Savigne | 57. Carlos BUSTAMANTE Sanchez |
| 20. José RIVALTA Arruebarrena | 58. Ignacio ALONSO Lorenzo |
| 21. Ansenio GONZALEZ Gonzalez | 59. Maria Teresa DIAZ de Villegas |
| 22. Mercedes CHIRINO Chapotin | 60. Luis LIMA Delgado |
| 23. Raquel VALLADARES Perez | 61. Anselmo ALLIEGRO Mila |
| 24. Guillermo MESTRE Fernandez | 62. Aquilino LOMBARD Tondike |
| 25. José Luis MARTINEZ Alvarez | 63. Zoila LEISECA Sanchez |
| 26. Conrado RODRIGUEZ Sanchez <u>1/</u> | 64. Ernesto ROSELL Leyte-Vidal |
| 27. Octavio MONTORO Saladrigas | 65. Wilfredo ALBANES Peña |
| 28. Pedro CUNI Estorino | 66. Carlos M. RAGGI Aggeo |
| 29. Gaston GODOY Loret de Mola | 67. Justo GARCIA Reyneri |
| 30. Arturo FERNANDEZ Gonzalez | 68. Luis OLIVA Perez |
| 31. José R. GARCIA Pedrosa | 69. Humberto GARCIA Rivero |
| 32. Julian GARCIA Benitez | 70. Arturo PEREZ Heredia |
| 33. Antonio ALONSO Davila | 71. Miguel de MARCOS Hernando |
| 34. Juan Bautista DIAGO Hernandez | 72. Gaston BAQUERO Diaz |
| 35. Felix Maria RAMIREZ Delgado | 73. Raul LORENZO Ruiz |
| 36. Armando AGUILAR Bencomo | 74. Fernando GARCIA Tuñon |
| 37. Lelio ALVAREZ Garcia | 75. Ramon VASCONCELOS Maragliano |
| 38. Pedro MONTANO Bofill | 76. Regino DIAZ Robainas |
| 39. Mario COBA Reyes | 77. Gustavo E. URRUTIA Quirós |
| 40. Claudio BENEDI Beruff | 78. Luis ORTEGA y Sierra |
| 41. Rafael MIQUEL Zayas | 79. Josefina MOSQUERA Rouco |
| 42. José Ramon PEREZ Magariños | 80. José Manuel CARBONELL Rivero |

1/ Resigned from Council before the first meeting