

XXXI. COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS

For general administration and support services, conduct and supervision of elections and other political exercises, legal services and adjudication of election contests, and conduct and supervision of elections and other political exercises including locally-funded projects as indicated hereunder.....P 1,973,955,000

New Appropriations, by Program/Project

	<u>Current Operating Expenditures</u>			<u>Total</u>
	<u>Personal Services</u>	<u>Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Capital Outlays</u>	
A. PROGRAMS				
I. General Administration and Support				
a. General Administration and Support Services	P 100,315,000	P 58,041,000		P 158,356,000
b. Productivity Incentive Benefits	10,284,000			10,284,000
Sub-Total, General Administration and Support	110,599,000	58,041,000		168,640,000
II. Support to Operations				
a. Conduct and Supervision of Elections and Other Political Exercises	4,494,000	1,810,000		6,304,000
b. Legal Services and Adjudication of Election Contests	6,955,000	430,000		7,385,000
Sub-Total, Support to Operations	11,449,000	2,240,000		13,689,000
III. Operations				
a. Conduct and Supervision of Elections and Other Political Exercises	26,463,000	8,545,000		35,008,000
b. Legal Services and Adjudication of Election Contests	6,260,000	1,720,000		7,980,000
c. Conduct and Supervision of Elections and Other Political Exercises	460,955,000	17,683,000		478,638,000
Sub-Total, Operations	493,678,000	27,948,000		521,626,000
Total, Programs	615,726,000	88,229,000		703,955,000
B. PROJECTS				
I. Locally-Funded Projects				
a. For the Holding of 1997 Barangay Elections	185,578,000	214,422,000		400,000,000
b. For the Modernization of Electoral Systems			350,000,000	350,000,000
c. Preparatory expenses for the Holding of National Local Elections in 1998		20,000,000		20,000,000

d. Computerization of the Permanent List of Voters pursuant to R.A. No. 8189, subject to Section 35, Book VI of Executive Order No. 292	150,000,000	350,000,000		500,000,000
Sub-Total, Locally-Funded Projects	335,578,000	584,422,000	350,000,000	1,270,000,000
Total, Projects	335,578,000	584,422,000	350,000,000	1,270,000,000
TOTAL NEW APPROPRIATIONS	P 951,304,000	P 672,651,000	P 350,000,000	P 1,973,955,000

Special Provisions

1. **Special Audit.** The appropriations herein authorized for the Commission for registration, plebiscite, referendum and election purposes shall be exclusively used for the purpose for which these are intended. Special Audit shall be undertaken by the Commission on Audit on all expenses for printing jobs, materials and paraphernalia to be used for registration, plebiscite, referendum and election purposes. Copies of the Commission's report shall be furnished the Legislature within one month after such audit.

2. **Use of Savings.** Subject to the General Provisions on the priority in the use of savings, savings in the appropriations for the holding of elections and other appropriations of the Commission on Elections may be used to cover expenses resulting from approved reclassification of positions or adjustment of salaries of election personnel authorized under existing laws and for urgent capital outlays.

3. **Augmentation of Any Item in the Appropriations of the Commission on Elections.** Pursuant to Section 25(5) of Article VI of the Constitution, the Chairman of the Commission on Elections, is hereby authorized to augment any item in the general appropriations law for the Commission from savings in other items of the COMELEC appropriations.

4. Restriction in the Use of Funds. No amount of the appropriation herein provided shall be used by the Commission on Elections to fund any electoral or plebiscite activity for the purpose of amending the Constitution. (DIRECT VETO - President's Veto Message, February 12, 1997, page 1447, RA 8250)

5. **Appropriations for Programs and Specific Activities.** The amounts herein appropriated for the programs of the agency shall be used specifically for the following activities in the indicated amounts and conditions:

PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

	<u>Current Operating Expenditures</u>			<u>Total</u>
	<u>Personal Services</u>	<u>Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Capital Outlays</u>	
I. General Administration and Support				
a. General Administration and Support Services				
1. General management and supervision	P 100,315,000	P 58,041,000		P 158,356,000
b. Productivity Incentive Benefits	10,284,000			10,284,000
Sub-Total, General Administration and Support	110,599,000	58,041,000		168,640,000
II. Support to Operations				
a. Conduct and Supervision of Elections and Other Political Exercises				
1. Dissemination of information on election laws, rules and regulations	4,494,000	1,810,000		6,304,000
b. Legal Services and Adjudication of Election Contests				
1. Legal research and issuance of rulings and opinions	6,955,000	430,000		7,385,000
Sub-Total, Support to Operations	11,449,000	2,240,000		13,689,000

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17 Training and Seminar Expenses	5,000
18 Extraordinary and Miscellaneous Expenses	2,605
19 Confidential and Intelligence Expenses	1,000
23 Gasoline, Oil and Lubricants	1,500
24 Fidelity Bonds and Insurance Premiums	1,100
29 Other Services	429,377

Total Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses	672,651

Total Current Operating Expenditures	1,623,955

Capital Outlays	
36 Furniture, Fixtures, Equipment and Books Outlay	350,000

Total Capital Outlays	350,000

TOTAL NEW APPROPRIATIONS	1,973,955
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GENERAL SUMMARY
COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS

Current Operating Expenditures

	<u>Personal Services</u>	<u>Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Capital Outlays</u>	<u>Total</u>
A. Commission on Elections	P 951,304,000	P 672,651,000	P 350,000,000	P 1,973,955,000
Total New Appropriations, Commission on Elections	P 951,304,000	P 672,651,000	P 350,000,000	P 1,973,955,000