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Richard D. Lamm,
Governor

E X E C U T I V E O R D E R

THE COLORADO REFUGEE ADVISORY COUNCIL

- WHEREAS, Colorado has a sizeable refugee population; and
- WHEREAS, many of these individuals are in need of services from various private and governmental agencies; and
- WHEREAS, Public Law 96-212, known as the Refugee Act of 1980, authorizes the provision of assistance and services to refugees in the United States; and
- WHEREAS, in order for Colorado to receive refugee resettlement assistance under P.L. 96-212, a state plan for the provision of services to refugees must be submitted to the United States Department of Health and Human Services; and
- WHEREAS, P.L. 96-212 also requires Colorado to establish a State Advisory Council with the responsibility for prior consultation on and assistance in the development and review of any state plan amendments submitted by the State to the United States Department of Health and Human Services after January 1, 1981; and
- WHEREAS, the Advisory Council must be comprised of members who live in Colorado who are refugees eligible to benefit from services under the plan or representatives from local government, voluntary resettlement organizations, service providers and other interested private organizations and individuals.

NOW THEREFORE, I Richard D. Lamm, Governor of the State of Colorado, by virtue of the authority vested in me under the statutes and Constitution of the State of Colorado, do hereby order that:

1. There is established in Colorado an Advisory Council known as the Colorado Refugee Advisory Council, charged with assisting in the development and review of any State plan amendment.
2. The Advisory Council shall be composed of 17 members appointed by the Governor. Members shall

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serve for terms of one year.

3. The Executive Director of the State Department of Social Services shall serve as the Chair of the Council, direct its work, and recommend its membership, as follows:

Five members shall represent each of the major refugee communities: Vietnamese, Hmong, Laotian, Cambodian, and Cuban.

Five members shall represent these voluntary resettlement organizations: Catholic Charities and Community Services, Jewish Family and Children's Service of Colorado, Lutheran Social Services of Colorado, World Relief, and Ecumenical Refugee Services, Inc.

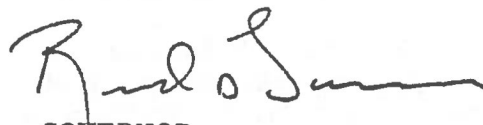
Five members shall represent these State Departments: Education, Health, Labor and Social Services, (including the Chair of the Council). The City and County of Denver shall provide the fifth representative.

Two members shall represent the business community.

4. The Council shall meet at least once every three months to pursue its work. Members will be reimbursed for allowable expenses as provided under the State's Fiscal Rules.

5. Agencies of State Government shall cooperate fully with the Council in pursuing its work. Staff assistance to the Council shall be provided by the Department of Social Services.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this eleventh day of March, A.D., 1981.


GOVERNOR