ABSTRACTS

Scope of the Powers of the President of the Philippines and of the President of the United States – A Comparative Study

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The Study presents a comparative analysis of the scope and extent of the powers of the president of the Philippines and that of the United States. Before proceeding, the Author gives a brief background on certain preliminary considerations, such as the steps in adopting the constitutions of the said countries. The Study provides a comparative examination of the subject on the following aspects: (I) foreign affairs; (2) war powers; and (3) domestic affairs. Emphasis is also placed on the differences and similarities of the countries' treaties, executive agreements, courts martial and military commissions, habeas corpus, and martial law.

In conclusion, the Author posits that generally, there are no substantial differences between the scope of the powers of both presidents. Hence, it should be expected that the American prototype would have a great influence every time inquiry is needed to determine the scope extent of the presidential powers in the Philippines.