

EXECUTIVE ORDER

ESTABLISHMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE PEACE CORPS
IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

By virtue of the authority vested in me by the Mutual Security Act of 1954, 68 Stat. 832, as amended (22 U.S.C. 1750 et seq.), and as President of the United States, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1. Establishment of the Peace Corps. The Secretary of State shall establish an agency in the Department of State which shall be known as the Peace Corps. The Peace Corps shall be headed by a Director.

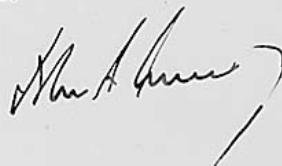
Section 2. Functions of the Peace Corps. (a) The Peace Corps shall be responsible for the training and service abroad of men and women of the United States in new programs of assistance to nations and areas of the world, and in conjunction with or in support of existing economic assistance programs of the United States and of the United Nations and other international organizations.

(b) The Secretary of State shall delegate, or cause to be delegated, to the Director of the Peace Corps such of the functions under the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended, vested in the President and delegated to the Secretary, or vested in the Secretary, as the Secretary shall deem necessary for the accomplishment of the purposes of the Peace Corps.

Section 3. Financing of the Peace Corps. The Secretary of State shall provide for the financing of the Peace Corps with funds available

to the Secretary for the performance of functions under the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended.

Section 4. Relation to Executive Order No. 10893. This order shall not be deemed to supersede or derogate from any provision of Executive Order No. 10893 of November 8, 1960, as amended, and any delegation made by or pursuant to this order shall, unless otherwise specifically provided therein, be deemed to be in addition to any delegation made by or pursuant to that order.



THE WHITE HOUSE,

March 1, 1961.

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Peace Corps Questions

1. Define an Executive Order, use a dictionary if necessary.
2. What law allowed for President Kennedy to create the Peace Corps?
3. What cabinet department will the Peace Corps be a part of?
4. Section 2(a) outlines the functions of the Peace Corps. Rephrase in your own words as much as possible.
5. Explain how the functions of the Peace Corps will be decided in Section 2(b).
6. What does it mean to finance something?
7. Who will fund the Peace Corps?
8. Would you personally ever join the Peace Corps, why or why not? If so, is there a particular area you would ask to be sent, why or why not?

Answers

1. An executive order has the force of law but is made by the president.
2. Mutual Security Act of 1954
3. Department of State
4. Answers will vary but ought to include: the Peace Corps will prepare men and women to travel to different nations around the world and help the citizens better meet their needs through training and upgrading; this will fit nicely in existing programs.
5. The Secretary of State will interpret the Mutual Security Act and inform the Director of his/her duties.
6. To put money into it
7. The Secretary of State (extra credit: Congress ultimately!)
8. Answers will vary but need to include reasons to back up their position.