

**NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
OF  
THE AMERICAN LEGION  
Indianapolis, Indiana  
May 3–5, 1948**

**Resolution No. 27: Designation of the Departments of Puerto Rico, Hawaii and Alaska  
Origin: Constitution & Bylaws Committee  
Submitted by: Internal Affairs Commission**

WHEREAS, The Departments of Puerto Rico, Hawaii, and Alaska have been inadvertently designated as outlying or foreign departments; and

WHEREAS, Said departments are in fact located within the territorial and insular jurisdiction of the United States of America; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED, By the National Executive Committee of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, on May 3-5, 1948, That the Departments of Puerto Rico, Hawaii, and Alaska be referred to as departments of The American Legion and not as outlying or foreign departments of The American Legion.**