[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 3887, June 18, 1964]

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A NATURAL SCIENCE RESEARCH CENTER IN THE UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES, TO PROVIDE FOR ITS ADMINISTRATION AND SUPPORT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to the national policy of promoting scientific research and invention in the Philippines, there is hereby established in the University of the Philippines a Natural Science Research Center, hereinafter referred to as the Center.

SEC. 2. The Center shall consist of:

- (a) suitable physical facilities for study and laboratory research of graduate and post graduate level in the basic natural sciences and mathematics;
- (b) accessory physical facilities for related activities as lectures, dissemination of information, communication, analytical and consultative service, instrumentation, and collaboration with other scientific organizations;
- (c) a regular staff of research scientists, technicians and administrative personnel, to be augmented as circumstances require, by guest researchers, special lecturers, and visiting technicians.

SEC. 3. The Center shall discharge the following functions:

- (a) To undertake fundamental studies and laboratory research in the natural sciences and mathematics, and to disseminate the findings of such studies;
- (b) To collaborate with the graduate schools of the University of the Philippines in creating a scientific climate and research tradition in the University in particular, and in the country in general;
- (c) To provide assistance, on request and when feasible, to other research agencies, government and private.
- (d) To collaborate, on request and when feasible with other schools, organizations or individuals in the furtherance of scientific knowledge and research.