

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 235, July 22, 1987]

**PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSMISSION FREE OF CHARGE OF
OFFICIAL MAIL MATTER OF THE OFFICE OF THE VICE-
PRESIDENT.**

WHEREAS, to enable the Office of the Vice-President to discharge its functions and responsibilities promptly and with dispatch, it is necessary to provide it with franking privilege;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CORAZON C. AQUINO, President of the Philippines, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The Office of the Vice-President may transmit through the mail, free of charge, all official communications and papers directly connected with the discharge of its functions and responsibilities.

SEC. 2. The envelope or wrapper of the privileged mail matter shall bear on the left upper corner the name, official designation and station of the official sending such mail matter and on the right upper corner, the words: "Private or unauthorized use to avoid payment of postage is penalized by fine or imprisonment or both".

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Transportation and Communications shall, within thirty (30) days from the publication of this Executive Order, promulgate the necessary rules and regulations to carry out the foregoing provisions: *Provided*, That any person who uses the privilege granted hereunder for private or unauthorized purposes shall be punished by a fine or five hundred pesos or imprisonment of not more than three years or both.

SEC. 4. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 22nd day of July, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty-seven.

CORAZON C. AQUINO
President of the Philippines

By the President:

JOKER P. ARROYO
Executive Secretary
