

**[ EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 107, December 24, 1986 ]**

**PROVIDING FOR THE SURRENDER OF LOOSE FIREARMS,  
AMMUNITION AND EXPLOSIVES, GRANTING BENEFITS  
THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, reports from the law enforcement agencies reveal that there are still a big number of loose or unlicensed firearms, ammunition or explosives in the possession of persons, a majority of whom, not having used such contraband for the commission of any offense may be desirous to surrender the same but are prevented from doing so for fear of being penalized in accordance with existing laws;

WHEREAS, the government is intent on minimizing, is not eradicating, possession of loose or unlicensed firearms, ammunition and explosives;

WHEREAS, in order to give the aforementioned holders of loose or unlicensed firearms, ammunition or explosives the opportunity to dispose of the same without incurring criminal liability, it is necessary to adopt a liberal scheme for that purpose;

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

SECTION 1. All laws, rules and regulations to the contrary notwithstanding, any person who possess any firearm, ammunition or explosive without any license or permit as prescribed by law may, without incurring any criminal liability thereof, surrender the same to the proper authorities within a period of six (6) months from the date of the effectivity of this Executive Order: Provided, That the foregoing provisions shall not be construed as barring the prosecution of any person for illegal possession of firearms, ammunition or explosives, as the case may be, in violation of existing laws, if he, within the abovementioned period of six (6) months:

- a. Carries outside of his residence, any loose or unlicensed firearm, ammunition or explosive, unless it is for the purpose of surrendering the same, as evidenced by a written authority to transport the same for the aforesaid purpose priorly secured by him from the proper authorities;
- b. Commits any other offense with the use of such loose or unlicensed firearm, ammunition or explosive.

SECTION 2. Those who have been arrested, charged with, and/or convicted for illegal possession of firearms, ammunition or explosives, with or without resultant offense or offenses, shall be disqualified to avail themselves of the provisions of this Executive Order.