

**[PPC ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 93-01,
December 15, 1993]**

**POLICIES AND GUIDELINES ON THE ISSUANCE OF POSTAGE
STAMPS**

Effective immediately, Administrative Order No. 89-05 dated 17 February 1989 of the former Secretary of Transportation and Communications, is hereby amended to incorporate other policies that shall be strictly observed in the determination of subjects and themes to be considered in the issuance of postage stamps.

1
Classification

Postage stamps issued shall be classified into three (3) categories as follows:

1.1 **Definitive Stamps** Definitive or regular stamps are for general and continuous use for all existing postal rates and shall be printed in sufficient quantities to last for a minimum of one (1) year.

1.2 **Commemorative Stamps** Commemorative stamps shall mark anniversaries of national and international significance. They shall be issued in limited quantities and available for philatelic sale for a period of six (6) months from the first day of sale. They shall also conform with the basic prevailing rates.

1.3 **Special Stamps** Special stamps shall promote, publicize, and draw attention to events and objects of national and international significance. They shall be issued in limited quantities and available for philatelic sale for a period of six (6) months from the first day of sale. They shall also conform with the basic prevailing rates.

2
Policies

The following general policies shall govern the design of stamps. These policies shall be subject to revision and amendment, in consultation with the Stamp Advisory Committee of the Philippine Postal Corporation. Final decision shall rest upon the Postmaster General.

2.1 **Subjects** As a general rule, subjects and themes of postage stamps shall be those likely to promote mutual understanding, to strengthen the bonds of international friendship, and to disseminate Philippine culture and history.

2.1.1 **Persons** No living persons shall be honored on any postage stamp, except the following: