

[BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 95, December 24, 1980]

AN ACT GRANTING TO THE GLOBE-MACKAY CABLE AND RADIO CORPORATION, A PHILIPPINE CORPORATION, A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, MAINTAIN AND OPERATE IN THE PHILIPPINES COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS FOR THE RECEPTION AND TRANSMISSION OF INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS.

Be it enacted by the Batasang Pambansa in session assembled:

SECTION 1. There is hereby granted to Globe-Mackay Cable and Radio Corporation, a Philippine corporation, its successors and assigns, hereinafter referred to as the Grantee, the right and privilege of constructing, maintaining and operating communications systems by radio, wire, cable, satellites, and any other means now known to science or which in the future may be developed for the reception and transmission of telecommunications between any point in the Philippines to points exterior thereto, including airplanes, airships or any type of vessels, even though such airplanes, airships or any type of vessel be located within the territorial limits of the Philippines, and the receiving of messages from such exterior points.

SEC. 2. Subject to the limitations and procedures prescribed by law, the Grantee is authorized to exercise the right of eminent domain, insofar as may be reasonably necessary to further the establishment and efficient maintenance and operation of its communications systems and connecting them one to another, and, with prior approval of the Minister of Transportation and Communications, the Grantee is authorized to construct and maintain its works of public utility and service over and across public properties of the Philippines.

SEC. 3. Unless earlier terminated by repeal or forfeiture, the franchise and rights hereby granted shall terminate upon expiration of fifty years from the approval of this Act, but in no case to extend beyond the corporate life of the Grantee.

SEC. 4. For the purpose of carrying out the privilege granted herein, the Grantee may establish stations in such places in the Philippines as the Grantee may select, subject to the approval of the Minister of Transportation and Communications. The Grantee may likewise avail of or utilize, through purchase, lease or other forms of arrangement with third parties, any other kinds or means of communications systems now known to science or which in the future may be developed.

SEC. 5. With the exception of the privilege granted herein, all communications between points or stations within the Philippines are expressly reserved to the Government or to communications carriers authorized to engage in domestic service.

SEC. 6. The Minister of Transportation and Communications through the National Telecommunications Commission shall have the power to allot to the Grantee the frequencies to be used thereunder, and determine the stations to and from which each such frequency may be used, and issue to the Grantee a license for such use.

The National Telecommunications Commission, upon reasonable notice to the Grantee, may at any time change, cancel or modify, in whole or in part, any or all of