[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7549, May 22, 1992]

AN ACT EXEMPTING ALL PRIZES AND AWARDS GAINED FROM LOCAL AND INTERNATIONAL SPORTS TOURNAMENTS AND COMPETITIONS FROM THE PAYMENT OF INCOME AND OTHER FORMS OF TAXES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. All prizes and awards granted to athletes in local and international sports tournaments and competitions held in the Philippines or abroad and sanctioned by their respective national sports associations shall be exempt from income tax: *Provided*, That such prizes and awards given to said athletes shall be deductible in full from the gross income of the donor: *Provided*, *further*, That the donors of said prizes and awards shall be exempt from the payment of donor's tax.

The benefits herein provided shall cover the XVIth Southeast Asian Games (SEA Games) held in Manila from November 25 to December 5, 1991.

SEC. 2. As used in this Act, the term:

- 1. "Sports tournaments and competitions" shall mean those tournaments and competitions sanctioned by the national sports associations in accordance with the rules and regulations pursuant to Section 3 hereof; and
- 2. "National sports association" shall mean those duly accredited by the Philippine Olympic Committee.
- SEC. 3. Upon the recommendation of the Commissioner of the Bureau of Internal Revenue, the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC) and the Department of Finance shall, within thirty (30) days from the effectivity of this Act, jointly promulgate rules and regulations necessary for the effective implementation of this Act.
- SEC. 4. All laws, decrees, executive orders, other executive issuances, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Act, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.
- SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect upon the completion of its publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,

(Sgd.) NEPTALI A. GONZALES

President of the Senate

(Sgd.) RAMON V. MITRA Speaker of the House of Representatives