

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 5914, June 21, 1969]

AN ACT GRANTING BASILAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION A FRANCHISE TO ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN RADIO BROADCASTING STATIONS IN MINDANAO.

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

SECTION 1. Subject to the provisions of the Constitution and the provisions not inconsistent herewith of Act Numbered Three thousand eight hundred and forty-six, entitled "An Act providing for regulations of radio stations and radio communications in the Philippine Islands, and for other purposes," Commonwealth Act Numbered One hundred forty-six, otherwise known as the Public Service Act, and their amendments, and other applicable laws, there is hereby granted to Basilan Broadcasting Corporation, its Successors or assigns, and hereunder referred to as the "grantee," the right and privilege to construct, install, establish and operate in Mindanao, at such places as the grantee may select and the Secretary of Public Works Communications may approve, radio broadcasting stations in Mindanao.

SEC. 2. A special right is reserved to the President of the Philippines in time of war, rebellion, public peril, calamity, emergency, disaster or disturbance of peace or order to take over and operate the said stations or to authorize the temporary use and operation thereof by the Government upon due compensation to the grantee for the use of said stations during the period when they shall be so operated.

SEC. 3. The President of the Philippines shall have the power and authority to permit the construction of said stations or any of them on any land of the public domain upon such terms and conditions as he may prescribe.

SEC. 4. This franchise shall continue for a period of twenty-five years from the date the first of said stations shall be placed in operation, and is granted upon the express condition that the same shall be void unless the construction of said station be begun within two years from the date of the approval of this Act and be completed within four years from such date.

SEC. 5. This franchise shall not take effect nor shall any power thereunder be exercised by the grantee until the Secretary of Public Works and Communications shall have allotted to the grantee the frequencies and wave lengths to be used thereunder and determined the stations to and from which each frequency and wave length may be used, and issued to the grantee a license for such use.

SEC. 6. The Secretary of Public Works and Communications, on reasonable notice to the grantee, may at any time change, cancel, or modify, in whole or in part, any or