

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 5108, June 17, 1967]

**AN ACT GRANTING MARIANO E. ZAFRA A FRANCHISE TO
CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, MAINTAIN AND OPERATE RADIO
STATIONS FOR DOMESTIC AND TRANSOCEANIC
TELECOMMUNICATIONS WITHIN THE PHILIPPINES.**

*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 of Act Numbered Three thousand eight hundred and. forty-six, entitled "An Act providing for the regulation of radio stations and radio communications in the Philippine Islands, and for other purposes". Commonwealth Act Numbered One hundred forty-six, known as the Public Service Act, and their amendments, and other applicable laws, there is granted to Mariano E. Zafra, his successors or assigns, and hereunder referred to as the "grantee," the right and privilege of constructing, installing, establishing and operating in the Philippines, for commercial purposes and in the public interest, at such places as Mariano E. Zafra may select and the Secretary of Public Works and Communications may approve, radio stations for the reception and transmission of messages on radio stations in the foreign and domestic public fixed point-to-point and public base, aeronautical and land-mobile stations, including coastal marine service with the corresponding relay stations for the reception and transmission of wireless messages on radiotelegraph and/or radiotelephone, radioteletype, radiophoto, facsimile, music, pictures, advertisement and such other types of emission from or to foreign countries and within the Philippines and with vessels at sea and aircraft in the air, irrespective of whether such vessels and aircraft are within or without the Philippines; to provide radio communication services and equipment to private firms, companies and corporations within their respective internal framework and/or to communicate from within with the grantee's stations or stations; and the right and privilege, which shall continue to be in force during the time that the Government has not established similar service at the places selected by the grantee.

SEC. 2. A special right is reserved to the President of the Philippines in time of war, rebellion, public peril, calamity, 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 any department of the Government without compensating the grantee for the use of said stations during the period when they shall be so operated.

SEC. 3. In the event of any competing individual, partnership, or corporation receiving from the Congress a similar franchise in which there shall be any term or terms more favorable than those herein granted or tending to place the herein grantee at any disadvantage, then such term or terms shall *ipso facto* become a part of the terms hereof and shall operate equally in favor of the grantee as in the case of said competing individual, partnership, or corporation.