

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 2271, June 19, 1959]

**AN ACT GRANTING MR. GERARDO C. ALMENDRAS A FRANCHISE
TO CONSTRUCT, MAINTAIN AND, OPERATE A RADIO
BROADCASTING STATIC IN THE CITY OF OZAMIS, 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 as well as of Act Numbered Three thousand eight hundred forty-six, entitled "An Act providing for the regulation of radio stations and radio communications in the Philippine Hands, and for other purposes;" Act Numbered Three thousand nine hundred ninety-seven, known as the Radio Broadcasting Law; Commonwealth Act Numbered One hundred forty-six, known as the Public Service Act, and their amendments, and other applicable laws, not inconsistent with this Act, Mr. Gerardo C. Almendras is hereby granted a franchise to construct, maintain and operate radio broadcasting- station in the City of Ozamis, Philippines.

SEC. 2. This franchise shall continue for a period of twenty-five years from the date the said station shall be put in operation, and is granted upon the express condition that the same shall be void unless the construction of said station be begun within six months from the date of approval of this Act and be completed within two years from said date.

SEC. 3. This franchise in likewise made upon the express condition that the grantee shall contribute to the public welfare, shall assist in the functions of public information and education, shall conform to the ethics of honest enterprise, and shall not use its station for the dissemination of deliberately false information or willful misrepresentation, or to the detriment of the public health, or to incite, encourage or assist in subversive or treasonable acts.

SEC. 4. The grantee's radio broadcasting station shall be put in actual operation until the Secretary of Public Works and Communications shall have allotted to the grantee the frequency and wave length to be used under this franchise and issued to the grantee a license for such use.

SEC. 5. A special right is reserved to the President of the Philippines, in time of war, rebellion, public peril, calamity, disaster or disturbance of peace and order, to cause the closing of said station or to authorize the temporary use and operation thereof by any department of the Government without compensating the grantee for the use said station during the period when they shall be so operated.

SEC. 6. The grantee shall be liable to pay the taxes, unless exempted therefrom, on its real estate, buildings, and personal property, exclusive of the franchise, as other persons or corporations are now or hereafter may be required by law to pay.