

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 549, June 17, 1950]

AN ACT GRANTING TO THE PHILIPPINE OIL DEVELOPMENT CO., INC., A TEMPORARY PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT, MAINTAIN AND OPERATE IN THE PHILIPPINES STATIONS FOR THE RECEPTION AND TRANSMISSION OF WIRELESS LONG DISTANCE MESSAGES.

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

SECTION 1. There is granted to the Philippine Oil Development Co. Inc., its successors or assigns, a temporary permit to construct, maintain and operate in the Philippines at such places as the said corporation may select, subject to the approval of the Department Secretary under whose jurisdiction the Radio Control Division is functioning, or any competent authority who is or shall be authorized now or in the future to give such approval, such private point-to-point radio stations for the reception and transmission of wireless messages on radiotelegraphy or radiotelephony, each station to consist of two apparatus comprising of receiving and transmitting equipment, intended for the exclusive use of the corporation within the Philippines: *Provided*, That the holder of the temporary permit herein granted shall start the operation thereof within one and a half years from the approval of said temporary permit.

SEC. 2. The President of the Philippines shall have power and authority to permit the location of said stations or any of them on the public domain upon such terms as he may prescribe.

SEC. 3. This temporary permit 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. 4. This temporary permit shall not take effect until the Department Secretary concerned or any competent authority designated for the purpose shall have allotted to the grantee the frequencies and wave-lengths to be used thereunder and determined the stations to and from which each such frequency and wave-length may be used, and issued to the grantee a license for such use.

SEC. 5. The grantee, its successors or assigns, shall so construct and operate its wireless station or stations as not to interfere with the operation of other radio stations maintained and operated in the Philippines.

SEC. 6. A special right is reserved to the President of the Philippines in time of war, insurrection or domestic trouble, to take over and operate the said station or stations and compensating the grantee for the use of said stations during the period when they shall be so operated by the said government.