[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 584, September 18, 1950]

AN ACT TO AMEND ACT NUMBERED THIRTY-EIGHT HUNDRED AND FORTY-SIX BY ADDING A NEW SECTION BETWEEN SECTIONS ONE AND TWO THEREOF AND TO AMEND SECTIONS THREE, TWELVE AND THIRTEEN OF THE SAME ACT.

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

SECTION 1. A new section is hereby inserted between sections one and two of Act Numbered Thirty-eight hundred and forty-six, as amended, to read as follows:

"SECTION 1-A. No person, firm, company, association or corporation shall possess or own radio transmitters or transceivers (combination transmitter receiver), without registering the same with the Secretary of Commerce and Industry, nor sell or transfer the same to another without his prior approval, and no person, firm, company, association or corporation shall construct or manufacture, or purchase radio transmitters or transceivers without a permit issued by the Secretary of Commerce and Industry."

SEC. 2. Sections three, twelve, as amended, and thirteen of the same Act are hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 3. The Secretary of Commerce and Industry is hereby empowered to regulate the construction or manufacture, possession, control, sale and transfer of radio transmitters or transceivers (combination transmitter receiver) and the establishment, use and operation of all radio stations and of all forms of radio communications and transmissions within the Philippines. In addition to the above he shall have the following specific powers and duties:

"(a) He shall prescribe rules and regulations covering the construction and manufacture, possession, purchase, sale or transfer of radio transmitters or transceivers;

"(b) He shall classify radio stations and prescribe the nature of the services to be rendered by each class and by each station within any class;

"(c) He shall assign call letters and assign frequencies for each station licensed by him and for each station established by virtue of a franchise granted by the Congress of the Philippines and specify the stations to which each of such frequencies may be used;

"(d) He shall promulgate rules and regulations to prevent and eliminate interference between stations and carry out the provisions of this Act and the provisions of the International Radio Regulations: *Provided, however,* That changes in the frequencies or in the authorized power, or in the