

## **[ EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 56, December 29, 1966 ]**

### **PROHIBITION TO CARRY FIREARMS OUTSIDE RESIDENCE**

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the interest of peace and order, that carrying of firearms outside residence be further regulated;

WHEREAS, the only prohibition against the carrying of firearms outside residence is as prescribed by Executive Order No. 290, as extended indefinitely by Executive Order No. 296, both series of 1949; and

WHEREAS, in the interest of a more effective law-enforcement, it becomes necessary to reemphasize the ban on carrying of firearms outside residence;

NOW, THEREFORE, in the interest of peace, public order, and safety, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, do hereby prohibit all persons from carrying their firearms outside of their residence, except the following:

1. Peace officers or persons charged with the duty of preserving peace and order; and
2. Military personnel of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, guards in the employment of the Bureau of Prisons, Provincial governors, lieutenant governors, provincial treasurers, city and municipal mayors, and guards of provincial prisoners and jails, when such firearms are in possession of such officials and public servants for use in the performance of their official duties.

The Chief of Constabulary may, however, upon proper application and valid justification, issue permits to carry firearms outside of residence to the following:

1. Merchants, cashiers, and disbursing officers, incident to their travel with large sums of money in the course of specific duties for every specific periods or travel only;
2. Duly appointed security guards of licensed security agencies, private firms, government bureaus and offices, and/or government-owned or controlled corporations during their travels from office or armory to the place of duty, while guarding and while returning therefrom;
3. Government employees charged with the enforcement of specific laws while in the actual performance of their duties as such;
4. Military personnel of the U.S. Armed Forces when on duty "Off-Base"; and,