MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

NO. <u>75-07</u>

Pursuant to Act 3846, approved, November 11, 1931 and Presidential Decree No. 704, dated May 16, 1975 and in order to help accelerate the development of the fishing industry, the Telecommunication Control Bureau shall authorize qualified applicants to install and operate radio transceivers on board fishing boats (Ship Station) and in their private coast stations (home-based stations) in accordance with the following rules and regulations;

- 1. The operation of the radio stations must be actually performed by holders of appropriate operator licenses only. The coast station shall be operated by a holder of at least a second class commercial radiotelephone or radiotelegraph operator license. A ship station on board a fishing boat as defined in the Presidential Decree No. 704 may be operated by a holder of any class of commercial radio operator license or a Special Radio Operator Permit issued by the Telecommunication Control Bureau;
- 2. Due to the limited number of available frequencies allocated for maritime use, a frequency or group of frequencies may be assigned to qualified applicants for the use of a maximum of twenty five (25) fishing boat stations in the aggregate on a sharing basis. The co-users of a particular frequency or group of frequencies so assigned should utilized the channels properly and without causing harmful interference to other authorized users;
- 3. All Single Side Band Radiotelephone transceivers to be used by new coast and ship stations shall be type-accepted by the Telecommunication Control Bureau. Similar equipment of existing stations must be modified to conform with the technical characteristic prescribed for maritime use:
- 4. To expedite the issuance of authorization to operate ship stations on board fishing boats, the ship station license issued by the Telecommunication Control Bureau to qualified applicants shall carry with it both the authorization to install and to operate the radio equipment within a given period as may be specified in the said licenses;
- 5. An applicant for Construction Permit for a private coast stations must submit to the Telecommunication Control Bureau the following requirements:
 - a. Application for Permit to Purchase transceiver(s);
 - b. Copy of Type-Acceptance Certificate issued for the transceiver, Certificate of Modification of the transceiver duly signed and sealed by an E.C.E. or copy of the Technical Manual of the imported transmitter/transceiver if the brand is unknown to the Telecommunication Control Bureau;
 - c. Application for Construction Permit:
 - d. Copy of Article of Incorporation registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission;

- e. Certificate of Registration of Business Name from the Bureau of Commerce:
- f. Engineering plans duly signed and sealed by an E.C.E. for the location of the station, antenna system and the equipment layout of the station;
- g. List of the present Officers and Members of the Board certified by the Board Secretary;
- h. Clearance of Officers and Members of the Board from the PC, NBI, Police and Fiscal's Office;
- i. Information Sheet properly accomplished by each Officer and Member of the Board.
- 6. An applicant for new private coast station license must submit to the Telecommunication Control Bureau the following requirements;
 - a. Application for new coast station license, properly accomplished;
 - b. Original constructions permit issued for the station.
- 7. An applicant for new ship station license (fishing boat) must to the Telecommunication Control Bureau the following requirements;
 - a. Application for permit to purchase transceiver;
 - b. Application for ship station license;
 - c. Copy of Certificate of Ownership of vessel;
 - d. Copy of Certificate of Registry of vessel;
 - e. Permit to Possess/Purchase of the transmitter/transceiver;
 - f. Copy or number of the Telecommunication Control Bureau Type-Acceptance Certificate issued for the equipment, Certificate of Modification of the equipment duly signed and sealed by an E.C.E. or copy of the technical manual of the imported transmitter/transceiver if the brand is unknown to the TCB;
 - g. Copy of Articles of Incorporation registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and its by-laws (if the company is applying for its first radio station);
 - h. Clearances of Officers and Board Members of the Company from PC, NBI, Police and Fiscal's Office;
 - i. Information Sheet properly accomplished by each Officer and Member of the Board;
 - j. Certificate of Registration of Business Name from the Bureau of Commerce.
- 8. Special Radio Operator Permit
 - a. A Special Radio Operator Permit for the operation of a duly licensed radio station on board fishing boat with a maximum operating power output of 100 watts on single side band radiotelephony emission, may be issued by the Telecommunication

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- Control Bureau to any employee on board a fishing boat after qualifying in a practical examination conducted for the purposes;
- b. The examination shall cover pertinent provisions of the existing radio laws and regulations as well as radio operating practices applicable to radio stations on board fishing boats;
- c. To qualify for the said practical examination, an applicant must be a Filipino citizen, 18 year of age or over, must be of good moral character and must be able to transmit and receive spoken messages in English or Pilipino/Tagalog;
- d. The application for operator examination shall be filed with the Telecommunication Control Bureau at No. 86 Quezon Boulevard Extension, Quezon City, or with any of its Field Offices, accomplished by an examination fee of P20.00, two copies of 2"x"2 recent ID photo and a certification to the effect that the applicant is actually employed on board a fishing boat and capable of operating a radio station with power of not more than 100 watts using 3A3 emission, to be issued by the skipper/patron if the applicant is an employee under him, or by the owner of the fishing vessel if the applicant is the skipper/patron;
- e. The Special Radio Operator Permit that may be issued under this Circular is not valid to be used in the operation of radio stations other than those on board fishing boats.

This Order shall take effect immediately and its supersedes or amends any order, circular, instruction, or memorandum or any part thereof which is inconsistent herewith.

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