DESIGNATION OF PHILCOMSAT AS ADDITIONAL ACCOUNTING AUTHORITY

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Pursuant to Act No. 3846, as amended, and to the Commission's policy of liberalization in line with RA 7925, the Philippine Communications Satellite Corporation (Philcomsat) is hereby designated and authorized to act as a recognized private operating agency or an accounting authority in the Philippines for all INMARSAT communications traffic arising from the use of Philippine registered INMARSAT terminals, subject to the following terms and

Conditions

1. This authorization shall not be construed as exclusive in nature and shall not preclude any other duly authorized accounting authority to handle INMARSAT communications traffic.

2. Philcomsat is assigned PHO3 as its Accounting Authority Identification Code (IAAC) for inclusion in the ITU's List of Ship Stations. The same shall also be included in the Civil Aeronautics Administration List and in the governing agency of other carriers for the information of all owners/operators of all ocean-going vessels or aircraft's of Philippine registry and other parties.

3. All shipping and aeronautical companies, particularly those engaged in the international trade, shall subscribe for the service of a duly authorized accounting authority only for the settlement of maritime and aeronautical radio accounts.

4. The Commission shall refuse to accept any application for new or renewal station license/permit from any ship or aeronautical radio station of vessels used or to be used in the international trade if the licensee has no agreement entered into with a duly authorized accounting authority or has unpaid maritime or aeronautical radio accounts for a period of one hundred twenty (120) days or more.

5. Philcomsat shall submit to this Commission periodic reports on delinquent accounts of shipping and aeronautical companies in its roster within the first week of the month following every quarter of the year, taking into consideration the pertinent operating and accounting procedures involved.

6. Philcomsat shall be subject to the NTC Memorandum Circular Nos. 04-2-82, 08-9-93 and 11-23-88.

7. This authority may be revoked, revised or amended in accordance with law.

This Circular shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation and the filing with the University of the Philippines Law Center three (3) certified copies of every rule adopted by it.

Adopted: 20 June 1996

(SGD.) SIMEON L. KINTANAR
Commissioner

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