

Memorandum Circular
No. 05-06-2003

Subject : AMENDMENT TO MC No. 4-3-99 (IMPLEMENTING GUIDELINES ON INTERNATIONAL SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS)

Pursuant to RA7925, Public Telecommunications Policy Act No.3846, as amended, Radio Control Law, and EO No. 467, International Satellite Communications Policy, the National Telecommunications Commission hereby amends Sec. 1 of MC No. 4-3-99 to include the following:

“Provided furthermore that specialized bodies of the United Nations (UN) and other international governmental organizations accredited to the Government of the Republic of the Philippines may be allowed direct access to any international fixed and/or mobile satellite systems subject to compliance to all of the following conditions:

- a. The equipment in the Philippines is used to access the global network of said UN body or of the international governmental organization;
- b. The UN body/international governmental organization shall not provide commercial satellite access to the public;
- c. The service is not being provided by existing duly authorized Philippine public telecommunications entity;
- d. The space segment capacity requirements cannot be served by existing Philippine satellite system operators; and
- e. The Department of Foreign Affairs attests to the affiliations of the agency to the UN or international governmental organization and endorses its application.”

Any circular, order, guidelines or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are deemed amended or superseded accordingly.

This circular shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication in a newspaper of general circulation and three (3) certified true copies furnished the UP Law Center.

Quezon City, Philippines, 10 June 2003.

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