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EXPLANATORY NOTE

As stated in Section 5, Article II of the 1987 Constitution, it is the declared policy of the State that, “The maintenance of peace and order, the protection of life, liberty, and property, and the promotion of the general welfare are essential for the enjoyment by all the people of the blessings of democracy.”

To give force and effect to the aforesaid provision, Republic Act No. 10591, otherwise known as the “Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act” was enacted. The said Act sought to provide for a comprehensive law regulating the ownership, possession, carrying, manufacture, dealing in and importation of firearms, ammunition or parts thereof. However, statistics show the proliferation of loose firearms, illegal manufacturing of firearms and ammunition, and crimes involving unregistered firearms are still prevalent in our country.

Data gathered by the Philippine National Police show that from 2013 to 2015, ninety-nine percent (99%) of firearm-related crimes involved unlicensed firearms. Also, data from the Firearms and Explosives Office show that there are 1, 747, 775 firearms with expired registration.

This bill seeks to streamline the registration and renewal process of gun ownership, manufacturing, dealing, selling, importing, exporting and gunsmithing. It is hoped that through this bill, registration of firearms and firearm-related activities such as those aforementioned will be encouraged and eventually, proliferation of loose firearms and its effects on peace and order of our country will be curbed.

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this bill is earnestly sought.

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AN ACT PROMOTING RESPONSIBLE GUN HANDLING AND OWNERSHIP,
FOSTERING THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE FIREARMS INDUSTRY AND GROWTH
OF SPORT SHOOTING BY AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO.
10591, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "COMPREHENSIVE FIREARMS AND
AMMUNITION REGULATION ACT"

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

SECTION 1. For the purpose of this Act, Section 2 of Republic Act No. 10591, otherwise
known as the "Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act" is hereby amended as
follows:

"Section 2. Declaration of State Policy. – It is the policy of the State to maintain peace
and order and protect the people against violence. The State also recognizes the right of
[its qualified citizens] EVERY INDIVIDUAL TO SELF DEFENSE AND TO
PROTECT ONE’S LIBERTY, PROPERTY AND HONOR [to self-defense through]
WITH THE USE OF FIREARMS when it is the reasonable means to repel the
unlawful aggression under the circumstances [the use of firearms].

Towards this end, the State shall provide for a comprehensive law regulating the
ownership, possession, carrying, manufacture, dealing in and importing of firearms,
ammunition, or parts thereof, in order to provide legal support to law enforcement
agencies in their campaign against crime, stop the proliferation of illegal firearms or
weapons and the illegal manufacture of firearms or weapons, ammunition and parts
thereof. TO THIS END, THE STATE SHALL PROMOTE RESPONSIBLE GUN
HANDLING AND OWNERSHIP, STREAMLINE AND DECENTRALIZE
GOVERNMENT PROCESSES PURSUANT TO EASE OF DOING BUSINESS,
ENCOURAGE AND INCENTIVIZE INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGICAL
ADVANCEMENT, STIMULATE GROWTH IN THE FIREARM AND DEFENSE
INDUSTRY AND PROMOTE SPORT SHOOTING.
SECTION 2. For the purpose of this Act, subsections (a) (b), (c), (f), (g), (h), (i), (l), (m), (n), (o), (p), (q), (r), (v), (w), (x), (y), (z), (aa), (bb), (cc), (dd) and (ee) of Section 3 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act are hereby amended as follows:

"(a) Accessories OF A FIREARM refer to parts of a firearm which may enhance or increase the operational efficiency or accuracy of a firearm but will not constitute any of the major or minor internal parts thereof such as, but not limited to, laser scope, telescopic sight, BASE PAD, GRIP, MAGAZINE AND sound suppressor or silencer.

(b) Ammunition refers to a complete [unfixed] UNFIRED unit consisting of a bullet, gunpowder, cartridge case and primer or loaded shell for use in any firearm.

1. **BULLET REFER TO THE PROJECTILE PROPELLED THROUGH THE BARREL OF A FIREARM BY MEANS OF THE EXPANSIVE FORCE OF GASES COMING FROM BURNING GUNPOWDER.**

2. **CARTRIDGE CASE REFER TO THE CONTAINER, USUALLY METAL AND CYLINDRICAL IN SHAPE, TO BE LOADED WITH A PRIMER, POWDER CHARGE AND BULLET. AFTER LOADING, IT BECOMES A COMPLETE CARTRIDGE, OF WHICH THE CASE IS BUT ONE ELEMENT. IT IS COMMONLY MADE OF BRASS, ALTHOUGH SOME MODERN CARTRIDGE CASES ARE MADE OF STEEL, ALUMINUM, OR OTHER MATERIALS.**

3. **GUNPOWDER REFER TO ANY EXPLOSIVE POWDER USED TO PROPEL PROJECTILES INTENDED FOR FIREARMS.**

4. **PRIMER, ALSO CALLED AN “IGNITER”, REFER TO A CARTRIDGE COMPONENT USED FOR THE PURPOSE OF SETTING FIRE TO IGNITE THE GUNPOWDER.**

(e) Authority to Import refers to a document issued by the [Chief of the Philippine National Police (PNP)] FEO OF THE PNP authorizing the importation of firearms, [or their] ITS parts, ammunition and ITS components.

(f) Authorized dealer refers to any person, legal entity, corporation, partnership or business entity duly licensed by the [Firearms and Explosive Office (FEO) of the] PNP to engage in the business of buying and selling ammunition, firearms or parts thereof, at wholesale or retail basis.

(g) Authorized importer refers to any person, legal entity, corporation, partnership or business duly licensed by the [Firearms and Explosive Office (FEO) of the] PNP to engage in the business of importing ammunition and firearms, or parts thereof into the territory of the Republic of the Philippines for purposes of sale or distribution under the provisions of this Act.
(h) **Authorized manufacturer** refers to any person, legal entity, corporation, or partnership duly licensed by the [Firearms and Explosive Office (FEO) of the] PNP to engage in the business of manufacturing firearms, and ammunition or parts thereof for purposes of sale or distribution.

(i) **Confiscated Firearm** refers to a firearm that is taken into custody by the PNP, National Bureau of Investigation (NBI), Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) [and all] OR other Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAS) by reason of their mandate and must be necessarily reported or turned over to the [PEO of the PNP] FEO.

(l) **Firearm** refers to any handheld or portable weapon, whether a small arm or light weapon, that expels or is design to expel a bullet, shot, slug, missile or any projectile, which is discharged by means of expansive force of gases from burning gunpowder or other form of combustion or any similar instrument or implement; Provided that, for the purposes of this Act, the [barrel,] frame or receiver is considered a firearm.

(m) **Firearms Information Management System (FIMS)** refers to [the compilation of all data and information on firearms ownership and disposition for record purposes] A COMPUTERIZED SYSTEM THAT ESTABLISHES A DATABASE OF THE LICENSEE AND THE REGISTERED FIREARMS INFORMATION AND GENERATES REPORTS WHICH INCLUDE THE PRINTING OF LICENSE AND CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION AND DISPOSITION.

(n) **Forfeited firearm** refers to a firearm that is subject to forfeiture by reason of court order as accessory penalty or for the disposition by the FEO [of the PNP] of firearms considered as abandoned, surrendered, confiscated or revoked in compliance with existing rules and regulations.

(o) **Gun Club** refers to an organization duly registered with and [accredited in good standing] AUTHORIZED by the FEO [of the PNP] which is established for the purpose of propagating GUN SAFETY AND responsible [and safe] gun ownership, proper appreciation and use of firearms by its members, for the purpose of sports and shooting competition, self-defense and collection purposes.

(p) **Gunsmith** refers to any person, legal entity, corporation, partnership or business duly licensed by the FEO [of the PNP] to engage in the business of repairing firearms and other weapons, or constructing or assembling firearms and weapons from finished or manufactured parts thereof on a per order basis and not in commercial quantities, or of making minor parts for the purpose of repairing or assembling said firearms or weapons.

(q) **Imitation firearm** refers to a replica of a firearm, or other device that is so substantially similar in coloration and overall appearance to [an existing] A REAL firearm as to lead a reasonable person to believe that such imitation firearm is a real firearm; PROVIDED THAT, BLUE GUNS USED FOR DISPLAY BY LICENSED MANUFACTURERS OR DEALERS AND AIR GUNS SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED AS AN ImitATION FIREARM.
LICENSE HOLDER (Licensed citizen) refers to any [Filipino] PERSON who complies with the qualifications set forth in this Act and duly issued with a license to own and possess [possess or carry firearms outside the residence] in accordance with this Act.

Loose firearm refers to, UNLESS OTHERWISE ALLOWED OR PROVIDED IN THIS ACT, an unregistered firearm, an obliterated or altered firearm, firearm which has been lost or stolen, illegally manufactured firearms, registered firearms in the possession of an individual other than the licensee and those with revoked licenses in accordance with the rules and regulations.

Major part or components of a firearm refers to the barrel, slide, frame OR receiver [, cylinder or the bolt assembly. The term also includes any part or kit designed and intended for use in converting a semi-automatic burst to a full automatic firearm].

Minor parts of a firearm refers to the parts of the firearm other than the major parts AS DEFINED IN THIS ACT which are necessary to effect and complete the action of expelling a projectile by way of combustion, except those classified as accessories OF THE FIREARM.

Permit to carry firearm outside of residence refers to a written authority issued to a [licensed citizen] LICENSE HOLDER by the Chief of the PNP OR A DUTY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR BY A PNP REGIONAL DIRECTOR which entitles such person to carry his/her registered or lawfully issued firearm outside of the residence for the duration and purpose specified in the authority.

Permit to transport firearm refers to a written authority issued to a [licensed citizen] LICENSE HOLDER OR LICENSED JURIDICAL entity by the Chief of the [PNP] FEO OR A DUTY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE or by [a PNP Regional Director] THE CHIEF OF RCSU which entitles such person or entity to transport a particular firearm from and to a specific location within the duration and purpose in the authority.

[Residence refers to the place or places of abode of the licensed citizen as indicated in his/her license.] SERVICEABLE FIREARM REFERS TO A FIREARM THAT IS PROPERLY FUNCTIONING AND IS CAPABLE OF DISCHARGING A BULLET, SHOT, SLUG, MISSILE OR ANY PROJECTILE BY MEANS OF EXPANSIVE FORCE OF GASES FROM BURNING GUNPOWDER OR OTHER FORM OF COMBUSTION OR ANY SIMILAR INSTRUMENT OR IMPLEMENT.

Shooting range refers to a facility established for the purpose of firearms training and skills development, firearm testing, as well as for sports and competition shooting either for the exclusive use of its members or open to the general public, duly registered with and accredited [in good standing] by the FEO [of the PNP].
Short certificate of registration refers to a certificate issued by the FEO [of the PNP] for a government official or employee who was issued by his/her employer department, agency or government-owned or -controlled corporation a firearm covered by the long certificate of registration.

Small Arms refer to firearms intended to be or primarily designed for individual use or that which is generally considered to mean a weapon intended to be fired from the hand or shoulder, which are not capable of fully automatic bursts of discharge and does not exceed a caliber of a Light Weapon, such as:

1. Handgun which is a firearm intended to be fired from the hand, which includes:
   (A) pistol which is a hand-operated firearm having a chamber integral with or permanently aligned with the bore which may be self-loading; and
   (B) Revolver which is a hand-operated firearm with a revolving cylinder containing chambers for individual cartridges.

2. Rifle which is a shoulder firearm or designed to be fired from the shoulder that can discharge a bullet through a rifled barrel by different actions of loading, which may be classified as lever, bolt, or self-loading; and

3. Shotgun which is a weapon designed, made and intended to fire a number of ball shots or a single projectile through a smooth bore by the action or energy from burning gunpowder.

Sports Shooting Competition refers to a defensive, precision or practical firearm shooting competition duly authorized by the FEO [of the PNP] OR ANY GOVERNMENT AGENCY OR ACCREDITED SPORT REGULATORY AGENCY.

Moreover, the following terms are hereby added accordingly to Section 3 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act:

**A-1** AIR GUNS REFERS TO ANY KIND OF GUN THAT LAUNCHES PROJECTILES PNEUMATICALLY WITH COMPRESSED AIR OR OTHER GASES THAT ARE PRESSURIZED MECHANICALLY WITHOUT INVOLVING ANY CHEMICAL REACTIONS.

**D-1** ASSEMBLING OF FIREARMS REFERS TO THE FITTING TOGETHER OF LEGALLY ACQUIRED OR MANUFACTURED PARTS OF FIREARMS TO CREATE A COMPLETE FIREARM.

**D-2** AUTHORIZED BONDED FIREARM CUSTODIAN REFERS TO THE EMPLOYEE OF THE JURIDICAL ENTITY WHO IS COVERED BY BOND TO BE ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE REGISTERED FIREARMS UNDER THE NAME OF THE JURIDICAL ENTITY.
(H-1) **BOLT ACTION** refers to a type of firearm action in which the bolt is operated manually by the opening and closing of the breech.

(H-2) **BOND** refers to the cash or surety intended as a security and commitment of licensed citizens, dealers, and manufacturers to comply with all the existing laws, rules and regulations.

(H-3) **BULLET** refers to the head or a small piece of metal, lead, copper or zinc with a pointed, semi wad cutter or rounded end, which is propelled through the barrel of a firearm by means of the expansive force of gases coming from compressed air or burning gunpowder.

(H-4) **CALIBER** refers to the diameter of the gun's bore measured in percentage or hundredths or thousandths of an inch using the standard system as in .22 or .357, of an inch, while millimetres is in the metric system as in 9 mm, such that the metric equivalent of '38' caliber is a '9 mm' projectile.

(H-5) **CARTRIDGE CASE** refers to the container, usually metal and cylindrical in shape, to be loaded with a primer, powder charge and bullet. After loading, it becomes a complete cartridge, of which the case is but one element. It is commonly made of brass, although some modern cartridge cases are made of steel, aluminum, or other materials.

(H-6) **CERTIFIED GUN COLLECTOR** refers to a licensed citizen who collects registered firearms pursuant to this act.

(H-7) **CONCEALED CARRY** or carrying a concealed weapon (CCW) refers to the practice of carrying a handgun or other weapon in public in a concealed or hidden manner, either on one's person or in close proximity.

(I-1) **CSG** refers to the civil security group (or its equivalent office) of the Philippine national police.

(K-1) **EXPORT PERMIT** refers to a document issued by the chief of the FEO or a duly authorized representative authorizing the exportation of firearms, its parts, ammunition, and its components.
(K-2) **FEO REFERS TO THE FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES OFFICE OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE (PNP) OR ITS EQUIVALENT OFFICE; PROVIDED THAT, FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS ACT, REFERENCES TO THE CHIEF OF THE FEO SHALL INCLUDE, IN CASE OF HIS ABSENCE, HIS AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE.**

(M-1) **FIREARM REGISTRATION CARD/FIREARM CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION** REFERS TO THE DOCUMENT ISSUED BY THE FEO AS PROOF THAT THE FIREARM IS DUTY REGISTERED TO A LICENSED CITIZEN OR LICENSED JURIDICAL ENTITY AND RECORDED IN THE FIMS.

(N-1) **FULL AUTOMATIC OR FULLY AUTOMATIC** REFERS TO THE FIRING MODE AND ACTION OF A FIREARM IN WHICH IT CONTINUOUSLY DISCHARGES THE ENTIRE MAGAZINE LOAD WITH A SINGLE PULL OF ITS TRIGGER UNTIL THE TRIGGERING DEVICE IS DISENGAGED.

(N-2) **GOVERNMENT GUARD UNIT** REFERS TO A SECURITY UNIT WHOSE MEMBERS HAVE PERMANENT PLANTILLA POSITIONS IN THE GOVERNMENT, MAINTAINED AND OPERATED BY ANY GOVERNMENT ENTITY OTHER THAN MILITARY OR POLICE, WHICH IS ESTABLISHED AND MAINTAINED FOR THE PURPOSE OF SECURING THE OFFICE OR COMPOUND AND/OR EXTENSION OF SUCH GOVERNMENT ENTITY.

(O-1) **GUN SAFETY SEMINAR INSTRUCTORS COURSE (GSSIC)** REFERS TO A SAFETY SEMINAR CONDUCTED BY THE FEO TO INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE INTERESTED TO BECOME A GUN SAFETY AND RESPONSIBLE GUN OWNERSHIP INSTRUCTOR WHO WILL CONDUCT GUN SAFETY AND RESPONSIBLE GUN OWNERSHIP SEMINARS.

(O-2) **GUN SAFETY AND RESPONSIBLE GUN OWNERSHIP SEMINAR (GSROS)** REFERS TO A SEMINAR CONDUCTED BY THE GUN SAFETY INSTRUCTOR FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACQUIRING A FIREARM.

(Q-1) **IMMINENT DANGER** REFERS TO THE RECOGNIZED PRESENCE OF THREATENED HARM OR IMPENDING INJURY OR BOTH TO CERTAIN LICENSED INDIVIDUAL, TO HIS FAMILY OR HIS PROPERTY.

(Q-2) **IMPORT PERMIT** REFERS TO A DOCUMENT ISSUED BY THE FEO TO LICENSED MANUFACTURERS OR DEALERS AUTHORIZING THE IMPORTATION OF FIREARMS, ITS PARTS, AMMUNITION, AND ITS COMPONENTS.

(Q-3) **INDENT LICENSE** REFERS TO THE LICENSE TO OPERATE GRANTED BY THE CHIEF OF THE FEO OR A DULY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE TO A LICENSED
MANUFACTURE/DEALER TO ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS OF SELLING FIREARMS, FIREARM PARTS, AMMUNITION, AMMUNITION COMPONENTS, AND OTHER GOODS TO THE AFP, PNP, OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES OR GOVERNMENT AGENCIES.

(Q-4) JUNIOR SPORT SHOOTER REFERS TO ANY NATURAL PERSON BELOW EIGHTEEN (18) YEARS OF AGE WHO IS ENGAGED OR TRAINING TO BE ENGAGED IN SPORTS SHOOTING.

(Q-5) LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES (LEAS) REFERS TO GOVERNMENT AGENCIES OR ITS UNITS THEREOF MANDATED TO ENFORCE LAWS.

(Q-6) LEGAL DISABILITY REFERS TO THE LOSS BY THE LICENSEES OF THE LEGAL QUALIFICATION OR CAPACITY TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARMS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS ACT.

(Q-7) LETTER ORDER (LO) OR MISSION ORDER (MO) REFERS TO A WRITTEN DIRECTIVE OR ORDER ISSUED BY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PNP, AFP, AND OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES (LEAS) ALLOWING THEIR RESPECTIVE MEMBERS, OCCUPYING REGULAR PLANTILLA POSITIONS AND PERFORMING ACTUAL LAW ENFORCEMENT FUNCTIONS, TO CARRY THEIR GOVERNMENT-ISSUED FIREARMS IN FURTHERANCE OF OFFICIAL DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS WITHIN AND OUTSIDE THEIR AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY[IES] (AOR), IN LIEU OF A PERMIT TO CARRY FIREARMS OUTSIDE RESIDENCE (PTCFOR).

(Q-8) LICENSED ANTIQUE FIREARM COLLECTOR REFERS TO ANY INDIVIDUAL OR ENTITY DULY LICENSED BY FEO WHO LEGALLY ACQUIRES, OWNS, POSSESSES, OR DISPOSES OF ANTIQUE FIREARMS AS DEFINED IN THIS ACT.

(Q-9) LICENSE TO DEAL (LTD) REFERS TO THE LICENSEES TO OPERATE GRANTED BY THE CHIEF OF PNP OR AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE TO A LICENSED DEALER TO ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS OF BUYING AND SELLING FIREARMS, FIREARM PARTS, AMMUNITION, AMMUNITION COMPONENTS, AND OTHER GOODS REGULATED BY THE PNP, AT WHOLESALE OR RETAIL BASIS.

(Q-10) LICENSED DEALER REFERS TO ANY PERSON, JURIDICAL ENTITY, CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP OR BUSINESS ENTITY DULY LICENSED BY THE PNP TO ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS OF BUYING AND SELLING AMMUNITION, AMMUNITION COMPONENTS, FIREARMS OR PARTS THEREOF, AT WHOLESALE OR RETAIL BASIS.
(Q-11) LICENSE TO EXERCISE SECURITY PROFESSION (LESP) REFERS TO THE DOCUMENTS ISSUED BY THE CHIEF OF PNP OR A DUTY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE RECOGNIZING A PERSON TO BE QUALIFIED TO PERFORM HIS DUTIES AS PRIVATE SECURITY OR TRAINING PERSONNEL.

(S-1) LICENSE TO MANUFACTURE (LTM) REFERS TO THE LICENSES TO OPERATE GRANTED BY THE CHIEF OF PNP OR A DUTY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE TO A LICENSED MANUFACTURER TO ENGAGE IN THE MANUFACTURE AND DEALING OF FIREARMS AND ITS PARTS, AMMUNITION AND ITS COMPONENTS, AND OTHER GOODS REGULATED BY THE PNP, FOR PURPOSES OF SALE OR DISTRIBUTION.

(S-2) LICENSE TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARMS (LTOPF) REFERS TO A WRITTEN AUTHORITY TO OWN AND POSSESS A FIREARM OR FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION GRANTED BY THE CHIEF OF PNP THROUGH THE CHIEF OF FEO TO A CITIZEN OR A JURIDICAL ENTITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS ACT.

(Z-1) PROOF MARKS REFER TO EXISTING MARKINGS APPLIED BY THE MANUFACTURER TO THE FIREARMS SUCH AS SERIAL NUMBER, TRADEMARK AND COUNTRY OF ORIGIN.

(Z-2) PROVISIONAL LICENSE TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARM REFERS TO A TEMPORARY LICENSE ISSUED BY THE FEO FOR THE PURPOSE OF FIREARM RENEWAL OR TRANSFER.

(Z-3) RANGE OFFICER, MATCH OFFICER, OR SAFETY OFFICER REFERS TO AN INDIVIDUAL OFFICIATING ON MATCH EVENT OR A SHOOTING COMPETITION ACTING AS SAFETY REFEREE OR WHO ENSURES SAFETY WITHIN THE COMPETITION PROPER AND WHO HAS UNDERGONE SEMINAR ON THE CONDUCT OF COMPETITION BY THEIR RESPECTIVE RANGE OFFICER, MATCH OFFICER OR SAFETY OFFICER ORGANIZATION; PROVIDED THAT, EXISTING RANGE OFFICERS, MATCH OFFICERS AND SAFETY OFFICERS UPON EFFECTIVITY OF THIS ACT SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM SUCH SEMINAR.

(Z-4) RANGE OFFICER, MATCH OFFICER OR SAFETY OFFICER ORGANIZATION REFERS TO AN ORGANIZATION DESIGNATED BY EXISTING RANGE OFFICERS, MATCH OFFICERS AND SAFETY OFFICERS TO REPRESENT THEM AND ENFORCE AND ADVOCATE FOR THEIR RIGHTS AND TO CONDUCT SEMINARS ON THE CONDUCT OF COMPETITIONS FOR NEW RANGE OFFICERS, MATCH OFFICERS AND SAFETY OFFICERS.
(Z-5) RANGE SAFETY OFFICER refers to a qualified individual who passed the GSROS or Range Safety Seminar.

(Z-6) RCSU refers to the Regional Civil Security Unit of the Civil Security Group of the PNP.

(AA-1) SOSLA refers to the Supervisory Office for Security and Investigation Agencies of the Philippine National Police.

(EE-1) SPORTS SHOOTER refers to any person who is engaged or is training to be engaged in sports shooting.

(GG-1) UNSERVICEABLE FIREARM refers to a firearm incapable of discharging a bullet, shot, slug, missile or any projectile by means of expansive force of gases from burning gunpowder or other form of combustion or any similar instrument or implement.

SECTION 3. Section 4 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is hereby amended as follows:

"Sec. 4. Standards and Requisites for Issuance of and Obtaining a License to Own and Possess Firearms. – In order to qualify and acquire a license to own and possess a firearm or firearms and ammunition, the applicant must be a Filipino citizen, at least twenty-one (21) years old and has gainful work, occupation or business or has filed an Income Tax Return (ITR) for the preceding year as proof of income, profession, business or occupation.

In addition, the applicant shall submit the following certification issued by appropriate authorities attesting the following:

(a) The applicant has not been convicted of any crime involving moral turpitude;

(b) The applicant has passed the psychiatric test administered by a PNP-accredited psychologist or psychiatrist;

(c) The applicant has passed the drug test conducted by an accredited and authorized drug testing laboratory or clinic;

(d) The applicant has passed a gun safety seminar which is administered by the PNP or a registered and authorized gun club;

(e) The applicant has filed in writing the application to possess a registered firearm which shall state the personal circumstances of the applicant;

(f) The applicant must present a police clearance from the city or municipality police office; and
The applicant has not been convicted or is currently an accused in a pending criminal case before any court of law for a crime that is punishable with a penalty of more than two (2) years.]

(a) BE A FILIPINO CITIZEN EXCEPT IN CASES PROVIDED FOR BY THIS ACT, WHO ARE REFERRED TO IN SECTION 1, ARTICLE IV OF THE 1987 CONSTITUTION MAY SUBMIT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING PROOF OF FILIPINO CITIZENSHIP:

(i) PHILIPPINE PASSPORT;

(ii) BIRTH CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY;

(iii) BIRTH CERTIFICATE FROM THE LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRY;

(iv) CERTIFICATE OF NATURALIZATION;

(v) IDENTIFICATION CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION; OR,

(vi) FOR THOSE WHO ARE CONSIDERED WITH “DUAL CITIZENSHIP” PURSUANT TO RA NO. 9225, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “CITIZENSHIP RETENTION AND REACQUISITION ACT OF 2003”, MAY ALSO ENJOY THE PRIVILEGE GRANTED HEREIN.

PROVIDED THAT THEY COMPLY WITH ALL THE STANDARDS AND REQUISITES SET FORTH THEREIN BY SUBMITTING ANY:

(i) CERTIFICATE OF RETENTION/REACQUISITION OF PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP OR CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION; AND,

(ii) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.

(b) BE AT LEAST EIGHTEEN (18) YEARS OLD AT THE TIME OF THE FILING OF WRITTEN APPLICATION;

(c) SUBMIT NATIONAL POLICE CLEARANCE OR THE NATIONAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (NBI) CLEARANCE;

(d) SUBMIT A NEURO-PSYCHIATRIC (NP) CLEARANCE ISSUED OR VALIDATED, OR BOTH BY THE PNP HEALTH SERVICE OR ANY DOH-ACCREDITED HOSPITAL, CLINIC, PSYCHOLOGIST OR PSYCHIATRIST CERTIFYING THAT THE APPLICANT PASSED THE PSYCHIATRIC TEST ADMINISTERED;

(e) SUBMIT A CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE PNP CRIME LABORATORY OR A DOH-ACCREDITED AND AUTHORIZED DRUG TESTING LABORATORY OR CLINIC, IN AREAS WHERE THERE IS NO PNP CRIME LABORATORY, CERTIFYING THAT THE APPLICANT HAS PASSED THE DRUG TEST CONDUCTED;

(f) SUBMIT A CERTIFICATE THAT THE APPLICANT HAS PASSED A GUN SAFETY AND RESPONSIBLE GUN OWNERSHIP SEMINAR (GSRGOS) ADMINISTERED BY THE PNP, A REGISTERED GUN CLUB OR ORGANIZATION AUTHORIZED BY THE FEO OR RCSU TO CONDUCT GSRGOS;
(g) Submit a valid government-issued ID or proof of latest billing or proof of mail sent by a government or a government-owned-or-controlled office or residential lease agreement/contract or barangay certificate;

(h) Have not been convicted of a crime that is punishable with a penalty of more than two (2) years; provided that, the pendency of a criminal case shall not serve as a bar for the issuance of license to own and possess firearms and ammunition, except in cases where there is a finding of probable cause for the commission of a crime and the commission of such crime involves the use of a firearm; and,

(i) Submit a firearm licensee bond policy for type 3 to 5 licenses.

[For purposes of this Act, an acquittal or permanent dismissal of a criminal case before the courts of law shall qualify the accused thereof to qualify and acquire a license.]

**Physical disability shall not be a ground for the denial of the application for the license to own and possess firearms.**

The applicant shall pay the reasonable licensing fees as may be provided in the implementing rules and regulations of this Act.

An applicant who intends to possess a firearm owned by a juridical entity shall submit his/her duty detail order to the FEO [of the PNP].”

SECTION 4. Section 5 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is hereby amended as follows:

“SEC. 5. Ownership of Firearms and Ammunition by a Juridical Entity. – A juridical person [maintaining its own security force] may be issued a regular license to own and possess firearms and ammunition.

The application shall be made in the name of the juridical person represented by its President, ANY OF ITS VICE PRESIDENTS, TREASURER OR CORPORATE SECRETARY [or any of its officers mentioned below] as duly authorized in a board resolution to [that] SUCH effect [;Provided that, the officer applying for the juridical entity, shall possess all the qualifications required of a citizen applying for a license to possess firearms].

[Other corporate officers eligible to represent the juridical person are: the vice president, treasurer, and board secretary.]
Security agencies and LGUs shall be included in this category of licensed
holders but [shall] MAY be subject to additional requirements as may be
required by the Chief of the PNP.

SECTION 5. Section 6 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is
hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 6. Ownership of Firearms by the National Government. - All
firearms owned by the National Government INCLUDING GOCCS,
STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES, AND LAW
ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES shall be registered with the FEO [of the
PNP] in the name of the GOVERNMENT AGENCY OR
INSTRUMENTALITY OF THE Republic of the Philippines. Such
registration shall be exempt from REGISTRATION OR OTHER
ADMINISTRATIVE FEES [all duties and taxes that may otherwise be
levied on other authorized owners of firearms]. For reason of national
security, firearms of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP), Coast
Guard and other law enforcement agencies shall only be reported to the FEO
[of the PNP]. ANY DISPOSITION OF FIREARM OWNED BY THE
NATIONAL GOVERNMENT SHALL NOT BE ALLOWED UNLESS
APPROVED BY THE CHIEF OF THE PNP."

SECTION 6. Section of 7 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is
hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 7. Carrying of Firearms Outside of Residence or Place of Business. –
PURSUANT TO THE RIGHT OF EVERY INDIVIDUAL TO SELF
DEFENSE AND TO PROTECT ONE'S LIBERTY, PROPERTY AND
HONOR WITH THE USE OF FIREARMS, a permit to carry firearms
outside of residence shall be issued by the Chief of the PNP or his/her duly
authorized representative UPON APPLICATION to any [qualified] person
WHO IS QUALIFIED TO OWN AND POSSESS A FIREARM OR
FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THIS ACT
[whose life is under actual threat or his/her life is in imminent danger due to
the nature of his/her profession, occupation or business].

[It shall be the burden of the applicant to prove that his/her life is under actual
threat by submitting a threat assessment certificate from the PNP.

For purposes of this Act, the following professionals are considered to be in
imminent danger due to the nature of their profession, occupation or business,
and are not required to submit threat assessment certificates:

(a) Members of the Philippine Bar;
(b) Certified Public Accountants;
(c) Accredited Media Practitioners;
(d) Cashiers, Bank Tellers;
(e) Priests, Ministers, Rabbi, Imams;
(f) Physicians and Nurses;
(g) Engineers; and
(g) Businessmen, who by the nature of their business or undertaking, are exposed to high risk of being targets of criminal elements."

SECTION 7. Section 8 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 8. Authority to Issue License. - [The Chief of the PNP, through the FEO of the PNP, shall issue licenses to qualified individuals and to cause the registration of firearms.] UNLESS OTHERWISE DESIGNATED BY THE CHIEF OF THE PNP TO SOME OTHER OFFICE, THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE THE ISSUANCE OF LICENSE TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARMS, AND PROCESS THE APPLICATIONS FOR THE REGISTRATION THEREOF, SHALL BE VESTED IN THE FEO UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE CHIEF OF THE PNP. UPON APPROVAL, THE LICENSE AND CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION SHALL BE ISSUED BY THE FEO OR TO SUCH OTHER OFFICES WHICH THE CHIEF OF THE PNP MAY DESIGNATE THE PROCESSING AND ISSUANCE THEREOF, AS THE CASE MAY BE, IN SUCH FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE CHIEF OF THE PNP IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE EASE OF DOING BUSINESS ACT OR ITS EQUIVALENT."

SECTION 8. Section 9 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 9. Licenses Issued to Individuals. - Subject to the requirements set forth in this Act and payment of required fees to be determined by the Chief of the PNP, a qualified individual may be issued the appropriate license under the following categories:

Type 1 license – allows a [citizen] QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL to own and possess a maximum of two (2) registered firearms;

Type 2 license – allows a [citizen] QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL to own and possess a maximum of five (5) registered firearms;

Type 3 license – allows a [citizen] QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL to own and possess a maximum of ten (10) registered firearms;

Type 4 license – allows a [citizen] QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL to own and possess a maximum of fifteen (15) registered firearms; and

Type 5 license – allows a [citizen] QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL, who is a certified gun collector, to own and possess more than fifteen (15) registered firearms.

For Types 1 to 5 licenses AND PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE LICENSE Holders of Class-A LIGHT WEAPON, a vault or container, secured by lock and key or other security measures for safekeeping of firearms shall be required.

For Types 3 to 5 licenses and PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE LICENSE Holders of Class-A LIGHT WEAPON, the [citizen]
LICENSE HOLDERS must comply with the [inspection and bond requirements] BOND REQUIREMENTS AND MAY BE SUBJECTED TO INSPECTION BY THE PNP PROVIDED THAT THE INSPECTION CONDUCTED MUST BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE PERTINENT LEGAL REQUIREMENTS ON SEARCHES AND SEIZURES.

IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING CATEGORIES, INDIVIDUALS CATEGORIZED AS ANTIQUE FIREARM COLLECTORS SHALL APPLY FOR AN ANTIQUE FIREARM COLLECTOR’S LICENSE AND BE REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH THE IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THIS ACT AND PAYMENT OF THE REQUIRED FEES.

FOR UPGRADING OF TYPE OF LICENSE TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARMS, THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE FEO:

a) DULY ACCOMPLISHED APPLICATION FORM;
b) PREVIOUS LICENSE TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARMS; AND,
c) PAYMENT OF DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE FEE IMPOSED ON THE UPGRADED TYPE OF LICENSE AND THE CURRENT TYPE OF LICENSE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE:

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ALL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES, RETIREES FROM THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE AND MILITARY RESERVISTS SHALL BE ENTITLED TO FIFTY PERCENT (50%) DISCOUNT ON FEES FOR LICENSE TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARMS AND REGISTRATION OF FIREARMS. SENIOR CITIZENS AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITY, WHO ARE NOT ACTIVE OR RETIRED GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES, SHALL BE ENTITLED TO TWENTY PERCENT (20%) DISCOUNT ON FEES FOR LICENSE TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARMS AND FIREARM REGISTRATION."
SECTION 9. Section 10 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 10. Firearms That May Be Registered. - Only small arms may be registered [by licensed citizens] IN THE NAME OF A LICENSE HOLDER or licensed juridical entities for ownership, possession and concealed carry. A light weapon shall be lawfully acquired or possessed exclusively by the AFP, the PNP and other law enforcement agencies authorized by the President in the performance of their duties: Provided, That private individuals who already have licenses to possess Class-A light weapons upon the effectivity of this Act shall not be deprived of the privilege to continue possessing the same and renewing the licenses therefor, for the sole reason that these firearms are Class "A" light weapons, and shall be required to comply with other applicable provisions of this Act."

SECTION 10. Section 11 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 11. Registration of Firearms. - The licensed citizen or licensed juridical entity, including NGA shall register his/her/its LAWFULLY ACQUIRED firearm with the FEO [of the PNP] in accordance with the [type of license such licensed citizen or licensed juridical entity possesses] provisions of this Act. [A certificate of registration of the firearm shall be issued upon payment of reasonable fees.] ONLY UPON COMPLIANCE WITH ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS FOR PURPOSES OF REGISTRATION, INCLUDING THE PAYMENT OF THE PRESCRIBED FEES, SHALL THE CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION BE ISSUED.

A LICENSE HOLDER MAY ACQUIRE AN EXTRA FRAME OR RECEIVER PROVIDED THAT HE/SHE WILL REGISTER IT AS A FIREARM WHICH IS VALID FOR FIVE (5) YEARS. THE EXTRA FRAME OR RECEIVER SHALL UNDERGO RECORDING OF PROOF MARKS.

FOR PURPOSES OF REGISTRATION OF FIREARMS OWNED BY THE JURIDICAL ENTITIES, THE CATEGORIES FOR FIREARM LICENSES UNDER SECTION 9 OF THIS ACT BE ADOPTED AS FOLLOWS:

a) TYPE 1 LICENSE - ALLOWS JURIDICAL ENTITY TO OWN AND POSsess A MAXIMUM OF TWO (2) REGISTERED FIREARMS;

b) TYPE 2 LICENSE - ALLOWS JURIDICAL ENTITY TO OWN AND POSsess A MAXIMUM OF FIVE (5) REGISTERED FIREARMS;

c) TYPE 3 LICENSE - ALLOWS JURIDICAL ENTITY TO OWN AND POSsess A MAXIMUM OF TEN (10) REGISTERED FIREARMS;
d) TYPE 4 LICENSE - ALLOWS JURIDICAL ENTITY TO OWN AND POSSESS A MAXIMUM OF FIFTEEN (15) REGISTERED FIREARMS; AND

e) TYPE 5 LICENSE - ALLOWS JURIDICAL ENTITY TO OWN AND POSSESS MORE THAN FIFTEEN (15) REGISTERED FIREARMS.

PHILIPPINE SECURITY AGENCY SHALL BE AUTOMATICALLY CATEGORIZED AS TYPE 5 LICENSE.

For purposes of this Act, registration refers to the application, approval, record-keeping and monitoring of firearms with the FEO [of the PNP] in accordance with the type of license issued to any person under [Section 9 of] this Act.”

SECTION 11. Section 12 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is hereby amended as follows:

“SEC. 12. License to Possess Ammunition Necessarily Included. - The [licenses] LICENSE granted to a [qualified citizen[s]] LICENSE HOLDER or juridical [entities as provided in Section 9 of this Act shall include the license to possess ammunition with a maximum of fifty (50) rounds for each registered firearm. Provided, that the FEO of the PNP may allow more ammunition to be possessed by licensed sports shooters]

ENTITY FOR THE OWNERSHIP AND POSSESSION OF REGISTERED FIREARMS NECESSARILY INCLUDES THE LICENSE TO POSSESS AMMUNITION APPROPRIATE TO THE REGISTERED FIREARM WHICH SHALL NOT EXCEED THIRTY THOUSAND (30,000) ROUNDS PER FIREARM AND ACQUIRE AMMUNITION WHICH SHALL NOT EXCEED FIVE THOUSAND (5,000) ROUNDS AT ANY GIVEN TIME.

LICENSES GRANTED TO ANTIQUE FIREARM COLLECTORS ARE NOT COVERED BY THIS PROVISION.”

SECTION 12. Section 13 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is hereby amended as follows:

“SEC. 13. – Issuance of License to Manufacture or Deal In Firearms and Ammunition. - Any person, NATURAL OR JURIDICAL, desiring to [manufacture] ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS OF MANUFACTURING or [deal] DEALING, SELLING OR DISTRIBUTING [in] firearms, parts of firearms, or ammunition thereof [, or instruments and implements used or intended to be used in the manufacture of firearms or ammunition] SHALL FIRST SECURE THE APPROPRIATE LICENSE FOR SUCH PURPOSE [, shall make an application to:

a) The Secretary of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) in the case of an application for a license to manufacture; and

b) The Chief of the PNP in the case of a license to deal in firearms and firearms parts, ammunition and gun repair.
The applicant shall state the amount of capitalization for manufacture or cost of the purchase and sale of said articles intended to be transacted by such applicant; and the types of firearms, ammunition or parts [implements] which the applicant intends to manufacture or purchase and sell under the license applied for; and such additional information as may be especially requested by the Secretary of the DILG or the Chief of the PNP.

The Secretary of the DILG or the Chief of the PNP may approve or disapprove such application based on the prescribed guidelines. In the case of approval, the Secretary of the DILG or the Chief of the PNP shall indicate the amount of the bond to be executed by the applicant before the issuance of the license and the period of time by which said license shall be effective, unless sooner revoked by their authority].

THE CHIEF OF THE PNP OR A DULY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE SHALL BE THE APPROVING AUTHORITY FOR NEW LICENSES TO MANUFACTURE AND LICENSES TO DEAL. THE CHIEF OF THE FEO OR A DULY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE SHALL BE THE APPROVING AUTHORITY FOR:

a) AMENDMENT OF EXISTING LICENSES TO MANUFACTURE AND LICENSES TO DEAL;

b) RENEWAL OF EXISTING LICENSES TO MANUFACTURE AND LICENSES TO DEAL;

c) APPLICATIONS FOR ADDITIONAL BRANCH OR SITE FOR A LICENSED MANUFACTURER DUE TO EXPANSION;

d) APPLICATIONS FOR ADDITIONAL BRANCH OR SITE FOR A LICENSED MANUFACTURER DUE TO LOCATION IN A SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE, SPECIAL ECONOMIC PROCESSING ZONE OR FREEPORT ZONE; AND,

e) APPLICATIONS FOR ADDITIONAL BRANCH FOR A LICENSED DEALER.

LICENSES SHALL BE IN THE NAME OF:

a) THE OWNER, IN CASE OF SOLE PROPRIETORSHIPS; OR,

b) THE PARTNERSHIP OR CORPORATION.

APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSES MAY BE PROCESSED BY DULY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES THROUGH (A) A SPECIAL POWER OF ATTORNEY IN THE CASE OF SOLE PROPRIETORSHIPS, (B) A PARTNERSHIP RESOLUTION IN THE CASE OF PARTNERSHIPS, AND (C) A BOARD RESOLUTION IN CASE OF CORPORATIONS.

Upon approval of [the license] NEW LICENSES to manufacture or [otherwise deal in firearms] TO DEAL by the [Secretary of the DILG or
the Chief of the PNP [as the case may be], the same shall be transmitted to
the FEO [of the PNP] which shall issue the license in accordance with the
approved terms and conditions, upon the execution and delivery by the
applicant of the required bond conditioned upon the faithful compliance on
the part of the licensee with the laws and regulations relative to the business
licensed.

APPROVALS OF AMENDMENTS OR RENEWALS OF EXISTING
LICENSES TO MANUFACTURE OR TO DEAL AND
APPLICATIONS FOR ADDITIONAL BRANCH OR SITE SHALL
BE ISSUED BY THE FEO IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE
APPROVED TERMS AND CONDITIONS. THE POSTING OF A
CASH BOND SHALL NO LONGER BE REQUIRED IN CASE OF
RENEWAL UNLESS THE CASH BOND HAS BEEN FORFEITED
FOR ANY VIOLATION OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF
THE LICENSE OR FOR ANY VIOLATION OF THIS ACT
PROVIDED THAT FORFEITURE OF BOND MUST COMPLY
WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF DUE PROCESS; PROVIDED
THAT, SURETY BONDS SHALL BE RENEWED ACCORDINGLY
PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF THE APPROVALS OF AMENDMENTS,
RENEWALS OR ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OR SITES BY THE
FEO.

THE LICENSE TO MANUFACTURE OR LICENSE TO DEAL
SHALL BE VALID FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS.

IN THE APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF THE LICENSE TO
MANUFACTURE OR LICENSE TO DEAL, FEO MAY GRANT A
LICENSE FOR A LONGER PERIOD IN INSTANCES INCLUDING
BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

a) MERITORIOUS CASES SUCH AS EXPANSION OR DOMESTIC
AND/OR FOREIGN INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS/JOINT
VENTURES; OR,

b) WITH REGARD TO THE CAPABILITY OF THE APPLICANT
IN TERMS OF FACTORS SUCH AS BUT NOT LIMITED TO
CAPITALIZATION, EQUIPMENT AND NUMBER OF
DEALERSHIP LOCATIONS.

IF AN APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL IS FILED AND
OFFICIALLY RECEIVED AT LEAST NINETY (90) DAYS PRIOR
TO ITS EXPIRATION DATE, THE LICENSE SHALL REMAIN
VALID UNTIL A DECISION IS RENDERED ON THE
APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL. IN THIS INSTANCE, THE
RECKONING DATE OF VALIDITY OF THE RENEWED LICENSE
SHALL BE ON THE DAY AFTER THE EXPIRY DATE OF THE
PREVIOUS LICENSE.
1025 IF AN APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL IS NOT ACTED UPON
1026 WITHIN SIXTY (60) DAYS FROM THE TIME IT IS FILED, SUCH
1027 APPLICATION SHALL BE DEEMED APPROVED.
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1029 IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF THE LICENSE, A
1030 NOTICE SHALL BE ISSUED BY THE PNP THROUGH THE FEO
1031 TO THE MANUFACTURER OR DEALER WITH EXPIRED
1032 LICENSE, INFORMING THE LATTER OF THE FOLLOWING:
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1034 a) THAT ITS LICENSE HAD ALREADY EXPIRED;
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1036 b) THAT IT HAS A ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY (180) DAY GRACE
1037 PERIOD TO RE-APPLY FOR THE RENEWAL OF THE LICENSE
1038 SUBJECT TO THE IMPOSITION OF PENALTIES TO BE
1039 DETERMINED BY THE FEO;
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1041 c) THAT, ITS FAILURE TO RENEW ITS LICENSE WITHOUT
1042 JUSTIFIABLE CAUSE WITHIN THE GRACE PERIOD WILL
1043 CAUSE FORFEITURE OF THE BOND; AND,
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1045 d) THAT, ITS FAILURE TO RENEW ITS LICENSE WITHOUT
1046 JUSTIFIABLE CAUSE WITHIN THE GRACE PERIOD WILL
1047 RESULT IN THE ISSUANCE OF A CEASE TO OPERATE (CTO)
1048 ORDER.
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1050 IF AFTER THE LAPSE OF 60-DAY GRACE PERIOD, THE
1051 MANUFACTURER OR DEALER STILL FAILS TO APPLY FOR
1052 THE RENEWAL OF ITS LICENSE, THE LATTER SHALL BE
1053 PROHIBITED TO EXERCISE THE AUTHORITIES AS PROVIDED
1054 FOR UNDER THIS ACT.
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1056 IF THE LICENSED MANUFACTURER OR DEALER NO LONGER
1057 INTENDS TO RENEW ITS LICENSE, THE LICENSED
1058 MANUFACTURER OR DEALER MAY OPT TO SELL ITS
1059 INVENTORY OF FIREARMS, ITS PARTS, AMMUNITION, AND
1060 ITS COMPONENTS; PROVIDED THAT, THE BUYER IS A
1061 LICENSED MANUFACTURER/DEALER OR QUALIFIED
1062 INDIVIDUAL. IN SUCH CASE, THE LICENSED MANUFACTURER
1063 OR DEALER SHALL SEEK THE AUTHORITY OF THE FEO TO
1064 SELL ITS INVENTORY OF FIREARMS, ITS PARTS,
1065 AMMUNITION AND ITS COMPONENTS; PROVIDED THAT, IN
1066 THE INTERIM, THE FEO SHALL ISSUE A PROVISIONAL
1067 LICENSE TO HOLD SUCH INVENTORY OF FIREARMS, PARTS,
1068 AMMUNITIONS AND COMPONENTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF
1069 ASSIGNING THE SAME TO ANOTHER LICENSED
1070 MANUFACTURER/DEALER OR QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL.
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1072 THE GOVERNMENT ARSENAL CREATED UNDER REPUBLIC
1073 ACT NO. 1884 SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS
1074 UNDER SECTIONS 13 BUT MUST COMPLY WITH SECTIONS 14,
1075 AND 15 OF RA NO. 105N 1 AS AMENDED AND SHALL BE
SUBJECT TO REPORTORIAL REQUIREMENTS AS REQUIRED
BY THE FEO AND OTHER REPORTS THAT THE CHIEF OF THE
PNP MAY REQUIRE WHICH SHALL BE SUBMITTED
ANNUALLY.”

SECTION 13. Section 14 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is hereby amended as follows:

“SEC. 14. Scope of License to Manufacture. – The [scope of the] License to Manufacture firearms, PARTS OF FIREARMS, [and] ammunition AND AMMUNITION COMPONENTS shall [also] include the following:

a) The authority to manufacture and assemble firearms, FIREARM PARTS AND ACCESSORIES, ammunition, [spare parts and accessories,] AND ammunition components, and LOAD/RELOAD AMMUNITION [reloading of ammunitions], within sites, areas, and factories stated therein [The Secretary of the DILG shall approve such license];

b) The AUTHORITY [license] to deal in or sell all the items covered by the License to Manufacture, such as [parts,] firearms AND ITS PARTS AND [or] ammunition and ITS components;

c) The authority to subcontract the manufacturing of parts and accessories necessary for the firearms which the manufacturer is licensed to manufacture; Provided that, the subcontractor of major parts [or major components is also licensed to manufacture firearms and ammunition] SHALL SECURE A LICENSE TO MANUFACTURE; [and]

d) THE AUTHORITY TO REPAIR DEFECTIVE FIREARMS AND IMPORT THE PARTS FOR ITS REPAIR PURSUANT TO THE WARRANTY PROVISION OR AS A RESULT OF WEAR AND TEAR; ENHANCEMENT AND REFURBISHING OF FIREARMS, AND PROCESSING OF AMMUNITION COMPONENTS, LOADING, RELOADING AND DISASSEMBLY OF AMMUNITION, AND SUCH OTHER ACTS NECESSARY AND INDISPENSABLE FOR THE FULL UTILIZATION/IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LICENSE; AND,

e) The authority to import machinery, equipment, [and] firearm parts, [and] ammunition components, TOOLS AND IMPLEMENTS for the manufacture thereof; PROVIDED THAT, firearm parts and ammunition components to be imported shall BE USED IN THE MANUFACTURER OF ITEMS STATED IN THE APPROVED LICENSE TO MANUFACTURE; PROVIDED FURTHER THAT, MACHINERY, PARTS, TOOLS AND IMPLEMENTS NOT EXCLUSIVELY USED FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF FIREARMS SHALL NOT REQUIRE AN IMPORT PERMIT; PROVIDED FINALLY THAT, RAW MATERIALS SHALL NOT REQUIRE AN IMPORT PERMIT. [, however, be limited to those authorized to be manufactured as reflected in the approved License to Manufacture. The Import Permit shall be under the administration of the PNP].

A licensed manufacturer of ammunition is also entitled to import various reference firearms, FIREARM PARTS, AMMUNITION AND
AMMUNITION COMPONENTS needed to test, EVALUATE AND COMPARISON the ammunition manufactured under the License to Manufacturer. A licensed manufacturer of firearms, on the other hand is entitled to import various firearms, FIREARM PARTS AND AMMUNITION for reference, test and evaluation for manufacture of similar, types of SMALL ARMS AND LIGHT WEAPONS [firearms covered by the License to Manufacture].

IMPORTED FIREARMS FOR REFERENCE, TEST AND EVALUATION TO BE USED IN THE MANUFACTURE OF AMMUNITION SHALL NOT BE ALLOWED FOR SALE AND DISTRIBUTION. AFTER THE INTENDED TEST, DISPOSITION OF THE FIREARMS SHALL BE LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING:

THE MANUFACTURER SHALL RETURN THE ITEMS TO ITS COUNTRY OF ORIGIN OR DONATE THE SAME TO THE PNP. IF THE MANUFACTURER OPTED TO RETURN THE ITEMS TO THE COUNTRY OF ITS ORIGIN, IT SHALL BE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT TO THE FEO PROOF OF EXPORTATION, DELIVERY VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE OR ITS EQUIVALENT DOCUMENTS ISSUED BY THE CONCERNED FOREIGN GOVERNMENT. AFTER THE INTENDED TEST, DISPOSITION OF THE FIREARMS SHALL BE LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING:

a) FOR SMALL ARMS AND LIGHT WEAPONS, THE MANUFACTURER IS AUTHORIZED TO RETURN THE ITEMS TO ITS COUNTRY OF ORIGIN OR MAY OPT TO RETAIN ITS POSSESSION, ON THE CONDITION THAT IT SHALL BE REGISTERED UNDER ITS COMPANY NAME; AND,

b) IF THE MANUFACTURER OPTED TO RETURN THE ITEMS TO THE COUNTRY OF ITS ORIGIN, IT SHALL BE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT TO THE FEO THE EXPORT PERMIT OF THE SUBJECT ITEMS, AND OTHER SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS AFTER THE EXPORTATION; PROVIDED THAT, IF THE MANUFACTURER OPTS NOT TO RETAIN POSSESSION OF THE FIREARM AND NOT RE-EXPORT TO THE COUNTRY OF ORIGIN, THEY SHALL DESTROY THE FIREARM AND THE FEO SHALL CANCEL THE REGISTRATION OF THE FIREARM.

AN EXPORT PERMIT AND ITS CORRESPONDING IMPORT PERMIT FOR MANUFACTURED PARTS OR FINISHED PRODUCTS OF FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION INTENDED FOR SAMPLE, TEST AND EVALUATION, OR DISPLAY IN TRADE SHOW/EXHIBIT SHALL BE SECURED BY THE LICENSED MANUFACTURER. THE SAID EXPORT PERMIT AND IMPORT PERMIT SHALL BE APPROVED BY THE CHIEF OF THE FEO OR HIS DUTY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE; PROVIDED THAT, ANY FIREARM AND/OR ITS PARTS OF EACH MODEL TO BE IMPORTED OR EXPORTED SHALL NOT EXCEED TEN (10) UNITS, OR ANY CALIBER OF AMMUNITION TO BE EXPORTED SHALL NOT EXCEED TEN THOUSAND (10,000) ROUNDS.
THE IMPORTATION OF EXPORTED FIREARMS AND
AMMUNITION AND THEIR RESPECTIVE PARTS AND
COMPONENTS FOR PURPOSES SUCH AS SAMPLE,
DEMONSTRATION OR PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL
TRADE SHOWS/EXHIBITS SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM CUSTOM
DUTIES AND TAXES UPON RETURN TO THE PHILIPPINES."

SECTION 14. Section 15 of the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 15. Registration of Locally Manufactured and Imported Firearms. —
[Local manufacturers and importers of firearms and major parts thereof shall register the same as follows:

(a) For locally manufactured firearms and major parts thereof, the initial registration shall be done at the manufacturing facility; Provided, That firearms intended for export shall no longer be subjected to ballistic identification procedures; and

(b) For imported firearms and major parts thereof, the registration shall be done upon arrival at the FEO of the PNP storage facility.]"

FOR LOCALLY MANUFACTURED FIREARMS, THE PNP THROUGH THE FEO MAY CONDUCT THE INSPECTION AND RECORDING OF THE MANUFACTURED FIREARMS BASED ON THE RECORDS INITIALLY PREPARED BY THE AUTHORIZED MANUFACTURER.

FIREARMS WHICH ARE INTENDED FOR LOCAL SALE AND DISTRIBUTION SHALL BE SUBJECT TO RECORDING OF PROOF MARKS THROUGH PHOTOGRAPHIC DOCUMENTATION. IN CASE THE NUMBER OF FIREARMS CANNOT BE ACCOMMODATED IN THE PNP CRIME LAB, THE SAME MAY BE CONDUCTED AT THE LICENSED MANUFACTURER’S FACILITY. THE LICENSED MANUFACTURER SHALL SHOULDER THE FEES AND OTHER NECESSARY EXPENSES.

FIREARMS INTENDED FOR EXPORTS SHALL NOT BE SUBJECT TO RECORDING OF PHYSICAL MARKINGS OR BALLISTIC TESTING.

AFTER COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PRECEDING PARAGRAPHS, THE INSPECTED FIREARMS FOR LOCAL DISTRIBUTION SHALL BE ENCODED IN THE FIMS BEFORE THEY SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR SALE OR DISTRIBUTION.

FOR IMPORTED FIREARMS, INSPECTION AND INVENTORY SHALL BE DONE UPON ARRIVAL AT THE FEO STORAGE
FACILITY AND OTHER CSG-FEO STORAGE FACILITIES.

FIREARMS FOR INDIVIDUAL SALE IN THE PHILIPPINES SHALL HAVE DISTINCT SERIAL NUMBERS AND PROOF MARKS.

MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS WHO HAVE IN THEIR POSSESSION LOCALLY MANUFACTURED AND IMPORTED FIREARMS WITHOUT SERIAL NUMBERS FOR INDIVIDUAL SALE IN THE PHILIPPINES SHALL SERIALIZE THE SAME WITHIN A YEAR FROM THE EFFECTIVITY OF THIS ACT. THE FEO SHALL DETERMINE THE SERIAL NUMBERS, WHICH SHALL BE ENGRAVED BY AUTHORIZED MANUFACTURERS OR AUTHORIZED LICENSED GUNSMITHS.

ALL LOCALLY MANUFACTURED/ASSEMBLED FIREARMS SHALL BEAR THE NAME OF THE MANUFACTURER, THE COUNTRY WHERE THE FIREARMS WERE MANUFACTURED, THEIR SERIAL NUMBERS AND OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION.”

SECTION 15. Section 16 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 16. License and Scope of License to Deal. – THE SCOPE OF THE LICENSE TO DEAL SHALL INCLUDE: [The License to Deal authorizes the purchase, sale and general business in handling firearms and ammunition, major and minor parts of firearms, accessories, spare parts, components, and reloading machines, which shall be issued by the Chief of the PNP.]

a) THE AUTHORITY TO PURCHASE, SELL AND GENERAL BUSINESS IN HANDLING FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION, MAJOR AND MINOR PARTS OF FIREARMS, ACCESSORIES, AMMUNITION COMPONENTS, AND RELOADING MACHINES;

b) THE AUTHORITY TO LOAD/RELOAD AMMUNITION FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES; PROVIDED THAT, THE LICENSED DEALER SHALL SECURE A PERMIT TO LOAD/RELOAD AMMUNITION;

c) THE AUTHORITY TO IMPORT FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION, MAJOR AND MINOR PARTS OF FIREARMS, ACCESSORIES, AMMUNITION COMPONENTS, AND RELOADING MACHINES FOR COMMERCIAL SALE OR DISTRIBUTION; PROVIDED THAT, MINOR PARTS, ACCESSORIES OF FIREARMS AND OTHER NON-REGULATED GOODS SHALL NOT REQUIRE AN IMPORT PERMIT;

d) THE AUTHORITY TO IMPORT AND EXPORT FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION, MAJOR AND MINOR PARTS OF FIREARMS, ACCESSORIES AND AMMUNITION COMPONENTS FOR DISPLAY DURING GUNSHOWS AND TRADE EXHIBITS, SAMPLE, DEMONSTRATION, TEST AND EVALUATION; PROVIDED THAT, LICENSED MANUFACTURERS OR DEALERS
SHALL SECURE IMPORT AND/OR EXPORT PERMIT FOR THE
AFOREMENTIONED PURPOSES TO BE APPROVED BY THE
CHIEF OF THE FEO.

LICENSED DEALERS SHALL APPLY TO THE CHIEF OF PNP
THROUGH THE FEO FOR PERMIT TO IMPORT FIREARMS
AND AMMUNITION, MAJOR PARTS OF FIREARMS,
AMMUNITION COMPONENTS THAT INCLUDE BULLET AND
CARTRIDGE CASE AND RELOADING MACHINES FOR
COMMERCIAL SALE OR DISTRIBUTION BY SUBMITTING THE
FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

a) Duly accomplished application form; and
b) Copy of the previous month's sales report as
required in section 19 of this act.

LICENSED DEALERS SHALL APPLY FOR AUTHORITY TO
IMPORT FOR SAMPLE, TEST AND EVALUATION BY
COMPLYING WITH THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

a) Letter request addressed to the Chief of the PNP
   stating the items to be imported and the
   country of origin;

b) Original end-user's certificate; and

c) Special bank receipt.

LICENSED DEALERS, MANUFACTURERS AND RECOGNIZED
ORGANIZATION/ASSOCIATION SHALL APPLY FOR PERMIT
TO CONDUCT GUN SHOW, AND TRADE EXHIBITS, BY
COMPLYING WITH THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

a) Letter request addressed to the Chief of the PNP
   thru FEO indicating the validity of their
   license; and

b) Special bank receipt or other proof of payment.

LICENSED MANUFACTURERS AND/OR DEALERS SHALL
APPLY FOR PERMIT TO DISPLAY DURING GUN SHOW AND
TRADE EXHIBITS BY COMPLYING WITH THE FOLLOWING
REQUIREMENTS:

a) Letter request addressed to Chief of the FEO
   stating the items to be displayed; and

b) Special bank receipt or other proof of payment.

THE IMPORTER/DEALER SHALL FURNISH A COPY OF THE
APPROVED EXPORT PERMIT FROM THE COUNTRY OF
ORIGIN TO THE FEO UPON EMBARKATION OF ITEMS.
FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS SHALL BE A VIOLATION OF
REPORTORIAL REQUIREMENT AND SHALL BE A GROUND
FOR REVOCATION.
A PERMIT TO TRANSPORT SHALL BE APPLIED FOR BY AN AUTHORIZED DEALER FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:

a) FOR IMPORTED ITEMS, TRANSPORT FROM PORT OF ENTRY TO CSG-FEO STORAGE FACILITY;

b) TRANSPORT FROM CSG-FEO STORAGE FACILITY TO AUTHORIZED DEALER;

c) TRANSPORT FROM DEALER TO RESIDENCE OF FIREARM AND VICE VERSA;

d) TRANSPORT FROM DEALER TO ANOTHER DEALER; AND,

e) TRANSPORT FROM CSG-FEO STORAGE FACILITY OR AUTHORIZED DEALER TO EXHIBIT/DISPLAY/DEMONSTRATION SITE AND VICE VERSA.

THE APPROVING AUTHORITY FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMIT TO TRANSPORT IS THE CHIEF OF THE FEO OR THE CHIEF OF THE RCSU OF A DULY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE.


SECTION 16. Section 17 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is hereby amended as follows:

“SEC. 17. License and Scope of [License for] Gunsmiths/Repair License. – [The license for gunsmiths allow the grantee to repair registered firearms.]

THE GUNSMITH LICENSE ALLOWS AN INDIVIDUAL OR A JURIDICAL ENTITY TO ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS OF REPAIRING, MODIFYING, CUSTOMIZING, DESIGNING, OR ENHANCING A REGISTERED FIREARM ON PER ORDER BASIS AND NOT IN COMMERCIAL QUANTITIES. THE GUNSMITH LICENSE SHALL BE APPROVED AND ISSUED BY THE CHIEF OF THE FEO. [The gunsmith license shall include customization of firearms from finished or manufactured parts thereof, on per order basis and not in commercial quantities and the making of minor parts thereof, [i.e. pins, triggers, trigger bows, sights and the like only] for the purpose of repairing the registered firearm. The license for gunsmiths shall be issued by the Chief of PNP.]

IN ORDER TO QUALIFY AND ACQUIRE A GUNSMITH LICENSE, THE APPLICANT MUST:
a) BE AT LEAST EIGHTEEN (18) YEARS OLD AT THE TIME OF
THE FILING OF HIS/HER WRITTEN APPLICATION IN THE
CASE OF INDIVIDUALS, OR BE DULY REGISTERED WITH
THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (SEC) IN
THE CASE OF CORPORATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS OR
THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY (DTI) IN THE
CASE OF SOLE PROPRIETORSHIPS;

b) HAVE A SAFE AND SECURE GUNSMITH FACILITY;

c) HAVE A CERTIFICATE THAT THE APPLICANT HAS PASSED
A GSOS ADMINISTERED BY THE PNP, A REGISTERED GUN
CLUB OR ORGANIZATION AUTHORIZED BY THE FEQ OR
RCSU; PROVIDED THAT IN CASE THE APPLICANT IS A
SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP, PARTNERSHIP OR
CORPORATION, IT SHALL BE SUFFICIENT THAT THE
AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE BE THE HOLDER OF
SUCH CERTIFICATE; AND,

d) HAVE A FIREARM VAULT TO SAFELY ACCOMMODATE
FIRESARMS REQUESTED FOR REPAIR.

APPLICATIONS FOR GUNSMITH/REPAIR LICENSES AND THE
LICENSES SHALL BE ISSUED BE IN THE NAME OF THE
INDIVIDUAL APPLICANT, SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP,
PARNERSHIP OR CORPORATION, AS THE CASE MAY BE;
PROVIDED THAT, IN THE CASE OF SOLE PROPRIETORSHIPS,
PARNERSHIPS AND CORPORATIONS, THE AUTHORIZED
REPRESENTATIVE AS INDICATED IN THE APPLICATION
MUST COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 17
OF THIS ACT; PROVIDED FURTHER THAT, PARTNERSHIPS
AND CORPORATIONS MAY REPLACE ITS AUTHORIZED
REPRESENTATIVES, AS NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN
COMPLIANCE WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE
GUNSMITH/REPAIR LICENSE.

IN CASE OF INDIVIDUALS OR SOLE PROPRIETORSHIPS, THE
APPLICANT MAY DULY AUTHORIZE A REPRESENTATIVE TO
PROCESS THE APPLICATION THROUGH A SPECIAL POWER
OF ATTORNEY (SPA) STATING THAT HE/SHE IS AUTHORIZED
FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROCESSING THE APPLICATION FOR
LICENSE.

IN CASE OF PARTNERSHIPS AND CORPORATIONS, THE
APPLICANT MAY BE REPRESENTED BY ITS PRESIDENT, ANY
VICE PRESIDENT, TREASURER, CORPORATE SECRETARY OR
ANY CORPORATE OFFICER AUTHORIZED IN A PARTNERS OR
BOARD RESOLUTION, AS THE CASE MAY BE, OR A
SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE OF SUCH PARTNERS OR BOARD
RESOLUTION.

THE LICENSE ISSUED TO A GUNSMITH AS JURIDICAL ENTITY
SHALL INCLUDE THE AUTHORITY FOR THEIR EMPLOYEES
TO REPAIR AND/OR CUSTOMIZE FIREARMS.

THE LICENSE FOR GUNSMITH SHALL SPECIFICALLY STATE
THE PLACE OF BUSINESS WHERE THE LICENSEE SHALL
CONDUCT BUSINESS PROVIDED THAT A GUNSMITH MAY
ALSO BE CONTRACTED OFF-SITE.

LICENSED GUNSMITH SHALL REPLACE THE FRAME OR
RECEIVER OF A FIREARM ONLY UPON PRESENTATION OF
VALID LTOPF AND FIREARM PARTS REGISTRATION.

THE LICENSED GUNSMITH WHO IS AUTHORIZED BY THE PNP
TO REPAIR A FIREARM, PARTICULARLY THE CONDUCT OF
RE-ETCHING/STAMPING OF THE FIREARM'S MAKE, MODEL,
SERIAL NUMBER AND/OR REPLACEMENT OF THE FRAME OR
RECEIVER, INCLUDING ITS INDIVIDUAL OR PECULIAR
IDENTIFYING CHARACTERISTICS ESSENTIAL IN FORENSIC
EXAMINATION, SHALL BRING THE REPAIRED FIREARM TO
THE PNP CRIME LABORATORY FOR RECORDING OF PROOF
MARKS TO BE ABLE TO UPDATE ACCORDINGLY THE
RECORD OF THE SUBJECT FIREARM IN THE FIREARMS
IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM (FIS) OF THE PNP CRIME
LABORATORY.

UNREGISTERED FIREARMS OR THOSE WITH EXPIRED
FIREARM REGISTRATION SHALL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR
REPAIR AND/OR CUSTOMIZATION. FAILURE TO COMPLY
WITH THIS PROVISION SHALL BE A GROUND FOR THE
REVOCATION OF THE GUNSMITH'S LICENSE AFTER DUE
PROCESS AND ANY PERSON IN VIOLATION OF THIS
PROVISION SHALL BE HELD LIABLE AND PENALIZED IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW.

LICENSE FOR GUNSMITH SHALL BE VALID FOR A PERIOD OF
FIVE (5) YEARS FROM THE DATE OF ISSUANCE OR UNLESS
SOONER REVOVED FOR CAUSE. THE APPLICATION FOR THE
RENEWAL OF THE LICENSE SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE
FEO BEFORE THE DATE OF THE EXPIRATION OF SUCH
LICENSE; PROVIDED THAT, IF AN APPLICATION FOR
RENEWAL IS FILED AND OFFICIALLY RECEIVED AT LEAST 90
DAYS PRIOR TO ITS EXPIRATION DATE, THE LICENSE SHALL
REMAIN VALID UNTIL A DECISION IS RENDERED ON THE
APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL. IN THIS INSTANCE, THE
RECKONING DATE OF VALIDITY OF THE RENEWED LICENSE
SHALL BE ON THE DAY AFTER THE EXPIRY DATE OF THE
PREVIOUS LICENSE.

IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF GUNSMITH'S
LICENSE, A CEASE TO OPERATE (CTO) ORDER WITH NOTICE
OF CONFISCATION SHALL BE ISSUED BY THE PNP THROUGH
THE FEO TO THE LICENSEE WITH EXPIRED LICENSE,
INFORMING THE LATTER OF THE FOLLOWING:

a) THAT, ITS LICENSE HAD ALREADY EXPIRED;

b) THAT, IT HAS A 60-DAY GRACE PERIOD TO RE-APPLY FOR
   A NEW LICENSE SUBJECT TO THE IMPOSITION OF
   PENALTIES TO BE DETERMINED BY THE PNP; AND

c) THAT, ITS FAILURE TO APPLY FOR A NEW LICENSE
   WITHIN THE GRACE PERIOD WILL CAUSE THE
   CONFISCATION OF THE FIREARMS, PARTS, MACHINERY,
   TOOL OR INSTRUMENT USED OR INTENDED TO REPAIR
   OR CUSTOMIZE FIREARMS.

A HIGHER DEGREE OF CARE AND DILIGENCE OF A GOOD
FATHER OF A FAMILY IS REQUIRED OF A LICENSED
GUNSMITH. A LICENSED GUNSMITH IN POSSESSION OR
CONTROL OF DANGEROUS INSTRUMENTALITIES HAS THE
DUTY TO TAKE EXCEPTIONAL PRECAUTIONS TO PREVENT
ANY INJURY BEING DONE THEREBY.”

SECTION 17. Section 18 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is
hereby amended as follows:

“SEC. 18. Firearms for Use in Sports and Competitions. – A qualified
individual shall apply for a Permit to Transport (PTT) for his/her registered
[firearm/s] FIREARMS AND AMMUNITIONS from his/her residence to the
[firing] SHOOTING range and competition [sites as may be warranted] SITE;
PROVIDED THAT, SUCH REQUIREMENT WILL NO LONGER BE
REQUIRED IF THE LICENSEE HAS A VALID PTCFOR; PROVIDED
FURTHER THAT, IN CASE OF COMPETITION ABROAD, PTT SHALL
STILL BE REQUIRED REGARDLESS OF WHETHER A QUALIFIED
INDIVIDUAL HAS AN EXISTING PTCFOR.

THE APPROVING AUTHORITY FOR APPLICATION FOR PTT FOR
LOCAL SHOOTING RANGE AND COMPETITION SITE SHALL BE
THE CHIEF OF THE FEO OR A DUTY AUTHORIZED
REPRESENTATIVE, OR THE RCSU CHIEF OR A DUTY
AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE. FOR PURPOSES OF
APPLICATION, THE APPLICANT SHALL BE REQUIRED TO
ACCOMPLISH A PTT APPLICATION FORM ISSUED BY THE FEO.

IN CASE OF APPLICATION FOR PTT FOR USE OF COMPETITION
OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY, THE SAME SHALL BE ISSUED ONLY BY
THE CHIEF OF THE FEO. FOR PURPOSES OF APPLICATION, THE
APPLICANT SHALL BE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING:

a) ACCOMPLISHED PTT APPLICATION FORM;

b) APPLICATION OR INVITATION FROM THE ORGANIZING
   COMMITTEE; AND,

c) ENDORSEMENT FROM A GUN CLUB.”
SECTION 18. Section 19 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 19. Renewal of Licenses and Registration. - All types of licenses shall be renewed every [two (2)] FIVE (5) years. [Failure to renew the license on or before the date of expiration shall cause the revocation of the license and of the registration of the firearm under said license.]"

The registration of the firearm shall be renewed every [four (4)] FIVE (5) years. [Failure to renew the registration of the firearm on or before the date of expiration shall cause the revocation of the license of the firearm. The said firearm shall be confiscated or forfeited in favor of the government after due process.]

The application for the renewal of the license or FIREARM registration may be submitted to the FEO [of the PNP] within six (6) months AND UP TO TWO (2) MONTHS AFTER before the date of the expiration of such license or registration.

[Failure to renew a license or registration within the period stated above on two (2) occasions shall cause the holder of the firearm to be perpetually disqualified from applying for [any] firearm license."

SECTION 19. Section 20 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 20. Inspection and Inventory FOR NEW APPLICATION AND RENEWAL OF LICENSES. – The [Chief of PNP or his/her authorized representative shall require the submission of reports,] PNP THROUGH THE CSG-FEO OR THE RCSU UPON APPROVAL OF THE CHIEF OF THE PNP MAY inspect or examine the inventory and records of a licensed manufacturer, LICENSED dealer, [or importer of firearms and ammunition during reasonable hours] licensed gunsmith, accredited gun club and accredited shooting range.

THE INSPECTION SHALL BE DONE FOR NEW APPLICATION AND RENEWAL OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED LICENSES AS A REQUIREMENT FOR LICENSING, INVENTORY, MONITORING PURPOSES AND INVESTIGATION PURPOSES ONLY.

THE PNP THROUGH CSG-FEO OR RCSU OF PNP SHALL INSPECT OR EXAMINE THE INVENTORY AND RECORDS OF ALL EXPIRED LICENSES AND ACCREDITATION, CTO OR NOTICE OF CONFISCATION.

THE INSPECTION TEAM HEADED BY A POLICE COMMISSIONED OFFICER (PCO) SHALL BE COVERED WITH A LETTER ORDER."
THE INSPECTION OR EXAMINATION OF RECORDS AND
INVENTORIES SHALL BE CONDUCTED DURING REASONABLE
HOURS ONLY.

A COPY OF THE REPORT OF INSPECTION SHALL BE PROVIDED
TO THE LICENSED MANUFACTURER, LICENSED DEALER,
LICENSED GUNSMITH, ACCREDITED GUN CLUB AND
ACCREDITED SHOOTING RANGE WITHIN FIVE (5) WORKING
DAYS FROM THE DATE OF INSPECTION.

IN CASE OF ADVERSE FINDINGS, LICENSED MANUFACTURER,
LICENSED DEALER, LICENSED GUNSMITH, ACCREDITED GUN
CLUB AND ACCREDITED SHOOTING RANGE SHALL BE GIVEN
FIFTEEN (15) WORKING DAYS, FROM RECEIPT OF THE SAID
REPORT, SUBJECT TO EXTENSIONS BY THE FEO UPON
REASONABLE REQUEST, TO COMPLY WITH THE FINDINGS
AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS.

THE CHIEF OF THE PNP OR HIS/HER AUTHORIZED
REPRESENTATIVE SHALL REQUIRE MONTHLY SUBMISSION OF
THE FOLLOWING:

(a) FOR LICENSED MANUFACTURER, LICENSED DEALER, AND
LICENSED GUNSMITH, SALES REPORT FOR THOSE ITEMS
COVERED UNDER THEIR RESPECTIVE LICENSES; AND,

(b) FOR ACCREDITED GUN CLUBS AND ACCREDITED
COMMERCIAL SHOOTING RANGES, ACCOMPLISHMENT
REPORT OF ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED.”

SECTION 20. Section 21 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is
hereby amended as follows:

“SEC. 21. Acquisition or Purchase and Sale of Firearms and Ammunition. -
Firearms and ammunition may only be acquired or purchased from authorized
dealers, importers or local manufacturers and may be transferred only from a
[licensed citizen] LICENSE HOLDER or licensed juridical entity to another
[licensed citizen] LICENSE HOLDER or licensed juridical entity.

LICENSED FIREARM HOLDER PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVITY OF
THIS ACT WHO ARE NO LONGER INTERESTED TO CONTINUE
POSSESSING HIS/HER FIREARM MAY TRANSFER THE SAME TO A
LICENSE HOLDER OR LICENSED JURIDICAL ENTITY WITHIN SIX
(6) MONTHS UPON THE EFFECTIVITY OF THIS ACT OR BEFORE
THE EXPIRATION OF THE PROVISIONAL TOPP IN CASE THE
FIREARM HOLDER APPLIED FOR SUCH.

[Provided, that] During election periods, the sale [, transfer] and registration of
firearms, [and] ammunition, MAJOR PARTS AND COMPONENTS OF
FIREARMS, AMMUNITION AND MAJOR PARTS and the issuance of [the corresponding licenses to citizens] LICENSES AND PERMITS TO QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS OR QUALIFIED JURIDICAL ENTITIES shall be allowed [on the condition that]. HOWEVER, [the] transport or delivery [thereof] OF THE FIREARMS shall strictly comply with the issuances, resolutions, rules and regulations promulgated by the Commission on Elections. FIREARMS, ITS PARTS, AMMUNITION, AND ITS COMPONENTS SOLELY FOR EXPORT SHALL BE EXEMPTED FROM COMELEC AUTHORITY TO TRANSPORT; PROVIDED THAT, THE TRANSPORTATION OF SUCH GOODS BE COVERED BY A PNP EXPORT PERMIT AND PTT, AND THE GOODS SHALL BE ACCOMPANIED BY POLICE ESCORT TO PORT/AIRPORT OF DEPARTURE FROM THE PHILIPPINES.”

SECTION 21. Section 22 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is hereby amended as follows:

“SEC. 22. Deposit of Firearms by Persons Arriving From Abroad.- A person arriving in the Philippines who is legally in possession of any firearm or ammunition in his/her country of origin and who has declared the existence of the firearm upon embarkation and disembarkation but whose firearm is not registered in the Philippines in accordance with this Act shall deposit the same upon written receipt with the Collector of Customs [for delivery to the FEO of the PNP] for safekeeping [or for the issuance of a permit to transport if the person is a competitor in a sports shooting competition. If the importation of the same is allowed and the party in question desires to obtain a domestic firearm license, the same should be undertaken in accordance with the provisions of this Act. If no license is desired or leave to import is not granted, the firearm or ammunition in question shall remain in the custody of the FEO of the PNP until otherwise disposed of in-accordance with law].

PRIOR TO THE ARRIVAL OF A SPORT SHOOTER IN THE PHILIPPINES, HE MUST BE ABLE TO SECURE A PTT COVERING HIS FIREARM OR AMMUNITION OR BOTH FROM PORT OF ENTRY TO HIS PLACE OF STAY OR COMPETITION VENUE OR BOTH FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A PTT WITH THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

a) LETTER REQUEST ADDRESSED TO THE CHIEF OF THE FEO;
b) PHOTOCOPY OF THE PASSPORT;
c) FIREARM LICENSE/REGISTRATION ISSUED BY THE COUNTRY OF ORIGIN; AND,
d) INVITATION FROM THE HOST GUN CLUB/ASSOCIATION.

IN THE EVENT THAT PTT WAS NOT SECURED OR NOT YET AVAILABLE UPON ARRIVING IN THE PHILIPPINES, THE FIREARM OR AMMUNITION OR BOTH SHALL BE DEPOSITED
WITH WRITTEN RECEIPT WITH THE COLLECTOR OF
CUSTOMS FOR DELIVERY TO THE FEO OR RCSU FOR THE
ISSUANCE OF PTT.

A PERSON ARRIVING IN THE PHILIPPINES WHO IS LEGALLY
IN POSSESSION OF ANY FIREARM AND/OR AMMUNITION IN
HIS/HER COUNTRY OF ORIGIN AND DESIRES TO OBTAIN A
DOMESTIC FIREARM LICENSE SHALL FIRST SECURE IMPORT
PERMIT. THE FOLLOWING ARE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR
SECURING IMPORT PERMIT:

a) LETTER TO THE CHIEF OF THE PNP REQUESTING THAT
IMPORTATION BE ALLOWED;
b) PHOTOCOPY OF THE PASSPORT;
c) FIREARM LICENSE/REGISTRATION OR PROOF OF
LAWFUL POSSESSION ISSUED BY THE COUNTRY OF
ORIGIN DUTY AUTHENTICATED BY THE PHILIPPINE
EMBASSY OR COVERED BY AN APOSTILLE.

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ON OFFICIAL TRAVEL SHALL
UNDERGO SAME PROCEDURE IN OBTAINING LICENSE IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT AND
SUBMIT AFFIDAVIT OF UNDERTAKING THAT SAID FIREARM
WILL NOT BE SOLD OR DONATED WITHIN THE PERIOD OF
TEN (10) YEARS.

A PERSON ARRIVING IN THE PHILIPPINES WHO IS LEGALLY
IN POSSESSION OF FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, FIREARM
PARTS AND ACCESSORIES AND WHO DESIRES TO USE THE
SAME IN EXHIBITS, THEATRICAL AND OTHER RELEVANT
PURPOSES SHALL FIRST SECURE PERMIT TO HOLD SUCH
ACTIVITY. THE FOLLOWING ARE REQUIREMENTS FOR
SECURING SUCH PERMIT:

a) LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE CHIEF OF THE PNP
INDICATING PARTICIPATION IN THE EXHIBITS,
THEATRICAL PURPOSES AND/OR OTHER RELEVANT
PURPOSE;
b) PHOTOCOPY OF THE PASSPORT;
c) FIREARM LICENSE/REGISTRATION OR PROOF OF
LAWFUL POSSESSION ISSUED BY THE COUNTRY OF
ORIGIN DUTY AUTHENTICATED BY THE PHILIPPINE
EMBASSY OR COVERED BY AN APOSTILLE; AND,
d) AFFIDAVIT OF UNDERTAKING THAT FIREARM WILL NOT
BE SOLD/DONATED AND THAT RULES AND REGULATIONS
FOR PROPER STORAGE SHALL BE OBSERVED.

UPON DEEMBARKATION, AND UPON WRITTEN RECEIPT
WITH THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS, SAID FIREARMS,
AMMUNITION, FIREARM PARTS AND ACCESSORIES, SHALL
BE DELIVERED AND DEPOSITED TO THE FEO FOR
SAFEKEEPING AND ISSUANCE OF A PTT BASED ON THE
SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES. THE DURATION OF THE
VALIDITY, THE PLACE OR PLACES WHERE THE FIREARM COULD BE BROUGHT, AND THE PURPOSE THEREOF SHALL BE INDICATED IN THE PTT.

MEMBERS OF DIPLOMATIC CORPS SUCH AS DIPLOMATS/FOREIGN DIGNITARIES, DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVE AND/OR ATTACHES WHO ARE ARRIVING IN THE PHILIPPINES WITH AN OFFICIAL BUSINESS (OB) OF HIS/HER GOVERNMENT ARE ALLOWED TO POSSESS AND CARRY FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION AS ACCORDED WITH COURTESY AND SOME PRIVILEGE WHICH ARE NOT USUALLY EXTENDED WITH AN ORDINARY FOREIGNER VIS-À-VIS WITH THE SAME PRIVILEGE BEING ACCORDED TO PHILIPPINES DIPLOMATS IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES PURSUANT TO THE INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED LEGAL PRINCIPLE OF RECIPROCITY. MEMBERS OF DIPLOMATIC CORPS MAY OPT TO PURCHASE FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION FROM A LICENSED DEALER, SUBJECT TO COMPLIANCE WITH THE STANDARDS IN SECTION 4 OF THIS ACT, EXCEPT FOR CITIZENSHIP.

IF THE FIREARM IS NOT APPROPRIATE FOR REGISTRATION UNDER THESE RULES AND THAT RETURN OF THE FIREARM TO THE COUNTRY OF ORIGIN CANNOT BE MADE, THE FIREARM SHALL REMAIN IN THE CUSTODY OF THE FEO PURSUANT TO SECTION 25 OF THIS ACT.”

SECTION 22. Section 23 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is hereby amended as follows:

“SEC. 23. Return of Firearms to Owner upon Departure from the Philippines. - Upon the departure from the Philippines of any person whose firearm or ammunition is in the custody of the FEO [of the PNP], the same, shall, upon timely request, be delivered to the person through the Collector of Customs. [In the case of a participant in a local sports shooting competition, the firearm must be presented to the Collector of Customs before the same is allowed to be loaded on board the carrier on which the person is to board.]

FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION DEPOSITED IN THE FEO FOR SAFEKEEPING, IN RELATION TO SECTION 22, SHALL ONLY BE RELEASED BY THE FEO UPON DEPARTURE OF THE PERSON FROM THE PHILIPPINES, THROUGH THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS, PROVIDED THAT HE/SHE SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

a) LETTER REQUEST ADDRESSED TO THE FEO;

b) PHOTOCOPY OF THE PASSPORT; AND,

c) PROOF OF TRAVEL.

IN THE CASE OF FIREARM USED IN LOCAL SHOOTING COMPETITION OR EXHIBITS, THEATRICAL PURPOSES AND
OTHER RELEVANT PURPOSES, the firearm/s must be presented to the
Collector of Customs before the same is allowed to be loaded on board the
carrier on which the person is to board.

THE COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS SHALL LOAD SAID FIREARM
OR AMMUNITION TO THE CARRIER ON WHICH THE PERSON
IS TO BOARD."

SECTION 23. Section 24 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is
hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 24. Safekeeping of Firearms and Ammunition. - Any licensee may
deposit a registered firearm, PARTS, AND/OR AMMUNITION TO THE
CSG-FEO, POLICE REGIONAL OFFICE RCSU, POLICE
PROVINCIAL OFFICE, CITY OR MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICE
for safekeeping. A WRITTEN RECEIPT SHALL BE ISSUED
CORRESPONDING TO THE DEPOSIT AND reasonable fees for
storage shall be imposed."

SECTION 24. Section 25 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is
hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 25. Abandoned Firearms and Ammunition. – [Any firearm or
ammunition deposited in the custody of the FEO of the PNP pursuant to the
provisions of this Act, shall be deemed to have been abandoned by the
owner or his/her authorized representative if he/she failed to reclaim the
same within five (5) years or failed to advise the FEO [of the PNP] of the
disposition to be made thereof. Thereafter, the FEO of the PNP may dispose
of the same after compliance with established procedures.] FIREARMS,
PARTS OR AMMUNITION OR BOTH, DEPOSITED WITH THE
CSG-FEO, POLICE REGIONAL OFFICE, POLICE PROVINCIAL
OFFICE OR CITY OF MUNICIPAL OFFICE FOR SAFEKEEPING
SHALL NOT EXCEED FIVE (5) YEARS. FAILURE TO CLAIM
THE DEPOSITED FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION WITHIN FIVE
(5) YEARS OR NON-PAYMENT OF STORAGE FEE FOR FIVE (5)
CONSECUTIVE YEARS OR BOTH, SHALL BE CONSIDERED AS
ABANDONED FIREARMS. THE CSG-FEO, POLICE REGIONAL
OFFICE, POLICE PROVINCIAL OFFICE, CITY OR MUNICIPAL
POLICE OFFICE SHALL DESTROY THE SAME AFTER
COMPLIANCE WITH ESTABLISHED PROCEDURES.

SECTION 25. Section 26 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is
hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 26. Death or Disability of Licensee. – [Upon the death of legal
disability of the holder of a firearm license, it shall be the duty of his/her
next of kin, nearest relative, legal representative, or other person who shall
knowingly come into possession of such firearm or ammunition, to deliver
the same to the FEO of the PNP or Police Regional Office, and such
forearm or ammunition shall be retained by the police custodian pending the
issuance of a license and its registration in accordance with this Act. The
failure to deliver the firearm or ammunition within six (6) months after the
death or legal disability of the licensee shall render the possessor liable for
illegal possession of the firearm. [UPON THE DEATH OF A LICENSED
CITIZEN, THE PRIVILEGE OF HIS/HER LICENSE TO OWN OR
POSSESS FIREARMS AND THE REGISTRATION OF THE
FIREARMS AUTOMATICALLY EXPIRES. IN CASE OF LEGAL
DISABILITY, THE PRIVILEGE PROVIDED FOR BY A LICENSE
TO OWN OR POSSESS FIREARMS AND THE REGISTRATION OF
THE FIREARM SHALL BE REVOKED.

WHEN A LICENSED CITIZEN WITH REGISTERED FIREARMS
OR AMMUNITION DIES OR BECOMES LEGALLY DISABLED,
HIS/HER NEXT OF KIN, NEAREST RELATIVE, LEGAL
REPRESENTATIVE OR ANY OTHER PERSON, SHALL CAUSE
THE DELIVERY OF THE SAME TO THE CSG-FEO OR POLICE
REGIONAL OFFICE OR THROUGH THE NEAREST POLICE
STATION WHICH HAS JURISDICTION OVER THE LICENSEE
AND/OR THE REGISTERED FIREARMS WITHIN THE
PRESCRIBED PERIOD PROVIDED HEREUNDER:

a) IF THE NEXT OF KIN, NEAREST RELATIVE, LEGAL
REPRESENTATIVE, OR ANY OTHER PERSON HAS PRIOR
KNOWLEDGE OF THE EXISTENCE OF THE FIREARMS, WITHIN
SIX (6) MONTHS AFTER THE DEATH OR LEGAL DISABILITY;
AND,

b) IF THE NEXT OF KIN, NEAREST RELATIVE, LEGAL
REPRESENTATIVE, OR ANY OTHER PERSON HAS NO PRIOR
KNOWLEDGE OF THE EXISTENCE OF THE FIREARMS, WITHIN
SIX (6) MONTHS FROM THE DISCOVERY OF THE FIREARMS.

UPON PRESENTATION OF THE PROOF THAT THE INDIVIDUAL
IS THE LEGITIMATE HEIR PURSUANT TO THE LAW, HE/SHE
MAY REGISTER ALL FIREARMS PROVIDED HE/SHE MEETS
THE STANDARD REQUIREMENTS AND QUALIFICATIONS IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THIS ACT, OR MAY TRANSFER TO A
LICENSE HOLDER OR LICENSED JURIDICAL ENTITY.

PENDING THE ISSUANCE OF A LICENSE TO THE APPLICANT,
THE REGISTERED FIREARM OF THE DECEASED OR LEGALLY
DISABLED LICENSEE SHALL REMAIN UNDER THE CUSTODY
OF THE FEO OR THE POLICE REGIONAL OFFICE (PRO) RCSU
WHICH HAS JURISDICTION OVER THE LICENSEE AND/OR
THE REGISTERED FIREARM. IN THE EVENT THAT THERE IS
NO QUALIFIED APPLICANT, THE CHIEF OF THE PNP
THROUGH THE FEO SHALL DISPOSE THE FIREARM IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULES SET FORTH FOR THIS
PURPOSE.

FAILURE TO DELIVER THE FIREARM OR AMMUNITION
PURSUANT TO THE PRECEDING PARAGRAPH, SHALL
RENDER THE POSSESSOR LIABLE FOR ILLEGAL POSSESSION
OF FIREARM OR AMMUNITION OR BOTH.

FOR LICENSED CITIZENS, LEGAL DISABILITY SHALL
INCLUDE BUT SHALL NOT BE LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING
CIRCUMSTANCES:

a) MENTAL INCAPACITY;
b) CONVICTION FOR A CRIME PUNISHABLE WITH A
   PENALTY OF MORE THAN 2 YEARS; AND,
c) CONVICTION OF ANY CRIME INVOLVING MORAL
   TURPITUDE.

IN CASE OF LEGAL DISABILITY OF JURIDICAL ENTITIES,
AUTHORIZED BONDED FIREARM CUSTODIANS, OWNERS OR
ANY OF THE OFFICERS OF SOLE PROPRIETORSHIPS,
PARTNERSHIPS OR PRESIDENTS, ANY OF THE VICE
PRESIDENTS, TREASURERS, OR CORPORATE SECRETARIES
OF CORPORATIONS, SHALL CAUSE THE DELIVERY OF ITS
REGISTERED FIREARM TO THE CSG-FEO OR RCSU PRO FOR
SAFEKEEPING UNTIL LEGAL DISPOSITION THEREOF IN
ACCORDANCE WITH EXISTING LAWS, RULES, AND
REGULATIONS.

THE FOREGOING SHALL BE WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE
PROVISIONS ON PLTOFF."

SECTION 26. Section 27 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act is
hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 27. Antique Firearm - Any person who possesses an antique firearm
shall [register the same and] secure [a collector's license] AN ANTIQUE
FIREARM COLLECTOR'S LICENSE from the FEO [of the PNP] AND
SHALL REGISTER THE SAME. Proper storage of antique firearms shall
be strictly imposed. Non-compliance of this provision shall be considered as
illegal possession of the firearms as penalized under this Act.

A LICENSED ANTIQUE FIREARM COLLECTOR SHALL
MAINTAIN PROPER STORAGE FOR ANTIQUE FIREARMS;
PROVIDED THAT, INSPECTION OF SUCH ANTIQUE FIREARMS
MUST COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF DUE PROCESS.

THE LICENSE OF AN ANTIQUE FIREARM COLLECTOR DOES
NOT INCLUDE OWNING OR ACQUIRING AMMUNITIONS FOR
THE USE OF THE ANTIQUE FIREARM.

A PERMIT TO CARRY FIREARMS OUTSIDE RESIDENCE
(PTCFOR) SHALL NOT BE ISSUED TO FIREARMS CLASSIFIED
AND REGISTERED AS ANTIQUE FIREARM.

A LICENSED ANTIQUE FIREARMS COLLECTOR MAY IMPORT
OR EXPORT HIS/HER ANTIQUE FIREARM; PROVIDED THAT,
THE LICENSEE HAS SECURED CLEARANCE FROM THE
NATIONAL MUSEUM AND APPROPRIATE AUTHORITY
THROUGH THE FEO."
FOR DISPLAY, EXHIBIT, CULTURAL, EDUCATIONAL AND RESEARCH PURPOSES, ANTIQUE FIREARMS SHALL BE ALLOWED TO BE TRANSPORTED FROM ONE PLACE TO ANOTHER AS LONG AS A PERMIT TO TRANSPORT OR ANY APPROPRIATE PERMIT WAS ISSUED BY THE FEO.

A LICENSED ANTIQUE FIREARM COLLECTOR SHALL BE REQUIRED TO HAVE VAULTS TO STORE THE ANTIQUE FIREARM OR SHALL BE APPROPRIATELY FRAMED FOR DISPLAY PURPOSES.

NONCOMPLIANCE OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS SET FORTH IN THIS SECTION SHALL BE A GROUND FOR THE REVOCATION OF LICENSE WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE FILING OF APPROPRIATE CHARGES IN COURT.”

SECTION 27. Section 37 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act is hereby amended as follows:

“SEC. 37. Confiscation and Forfeiture. - The imposition of penalty for any violation of the law shall carry with it the accessory penalty of confiscation and forfeiture of the firearm, ammunition or parts thereof, machinery, tool or instrument in favor of the government which shall be disposed of in accordance with law. FOR THE AVOIDANCE OF DOUBT, THE PENALTY OF CONFISCATION AND FORFEITURE SHALL NOT BE IMPOSED UNLESS AS AN ACCESSORY PENALTY TO A PENALTY IMPOSED UPON FINAL CONVICTION OF ANY VIOLATION OF THIS ACT.

DURING THE PENDENCY OF THE CASE, ALL CONFISCATED FIREARMS OR PARTS THEREOF, AMMUNITION, MACHINERY, TOOLS OR INSTRUMENTS MUST BE REPORTED TO FEO.

AFTER THE PENDENCY OF THE CASE AND IN THE EVENT OF CONVICTION, ALL CONFISCATED AND FORFEITED FIREARMS OR PARTS THEREOF, AMMUNITION, MACHINERY, TOOLS OR INSTRUMENTS USED AS EVIDENCE IN COURT SHALL BE TURNED OVER TO THE FEO FOR FINAL DISPOSITION IN ACCORDANCE WITH LAW.

FIREARMS WHICH ARE CONSIDERED AS ABANDONED, SURRENDERED, CONFISCATED OR REVOLED IN COMPLIANCE WITH EXISTING RULES AND REGULATIONS SHALL BE TURNED-OVER TO THE FEO FOR PROPER DISPOSAL IN ACCORDANCE WITH LAW.”

SECTION 28. Section 39 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act is hereby amended as follows:

“SEC. 39. Grounds for Revocation, Cancellation or Suspension of License or Permit. – The Chief of the PNP or [his/her] A DULY authorized representative may revoke, cancel or suspend a license or permit on the following grounds:
a) CONVICTION of a crime or offense involving the firearm, ammunition, major parts, EQUIPMENT AND COMPONENTS thereof;

PROVIDED THAT, SUCH REVOCATION, CANCELLATION OR SUSPENSION MUST COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF DUE PROCESS;

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SECTION 29. Section 44 of Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act is hereby amended as follows:

"SEC. 44. Implementing Rules and Regulations. – Within one hundred twenty (120) from the effectivity of this Act, the Chief of the PNP, after public hearings and consultation with concerned STAKEHOLDERS AND RELEVANT sectors of society shall formulate the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act to be published in at least two (2) national newspapers of general circulation. IN ORDER TO ENSURE ADMINISTRATIVE EFFICIENCY, THE CHIEF OF THE PNP SHALL BE RESTRICTED FROM EXPANDING (A) THE STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR ISSUANCE OF LICENSES, PERMITS AND REGISTRATIONS AND (B) QUALIFICATIONS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN THIS ACT.

SECTION 30. The following sections are hereby added accordingly to the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act:

"SEC. 12-A. Provisional License to Own and Possess Firearms. – FOR THE PURPOSE OF FIREARMS RENEWAL OR TRANSFER OR BOTH, THE FOLLOWING MAY APPLY FOR A PROVISIONAL LICENSE TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARMS (PLTOPF):

a) ANY PERSON WHO IS A HOLDER OF AN EXPIRED FIREARMS REGISTRATION WHO WAS ISSUED A LICENSE BEFORE THE EFFECTIVITY OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10591;

b) A PERSON WHO WAS IN POSSESSION OF A FIREARM BY VIRTUE OF SUCCESSION, WHO HAS THE INTENT OF SELLING OR TRANSFERRING THE FIREARM;

c) PERSON WITH DISABILITY AND BY REASON OF HIS PHYSICAL DISABILITY HE COULD NOT COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS TO OBTAIN AN LTOPF AND WHO HAS THE INTENT OF SELLING OR TRANSFERRING THE FIREARM;

d) A SENIOR CITIZEN AND BY REASON OF HIS PHYSICAL INCAPACITY OR HIS CIRCUMSTANCES HE COULD NOT COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS TO OBTAIN AN LTOPF AND WHO HAS THE INTENT OF SELLING OR TRANSFERRING THE FIREARM; OR,

e) A LICENSE HOLDER TO RESIDES ABROAD WHO INTENDS TO SELL OR TRANSFER THE FIREARM.

A PLTOPF MAY ONLY BE AVAILED ONCE FOR A PARTICULAR FIREARM AND SHALL ONLY BE VALID FOR A PERIOD OF SIX (6) MONTHS FROM THE TIME OF ITS ISSUANCE, RENEWABLE FOR AN ADDITIONAL SIX (6) MONTHS UPON THE REQUEST OF THE PLTOPF HOLDER.

THE APPLICANT MUST BE ABLE TO COMPLY WITH ALL THE REQUIREMENTS STATED UNDER THIS THIS ACT ON OR BEFORE THE EXPIRATION PERIOD OF THE PLTOPF FOR CONTINUED OWNERSHIP OF THE FIREARM/S.
THE APPLICANT MUST BE ABLE TO APPLY FOR LTOPF FOR CONTINUED OWNERSHIP OF THE FIREARM OR BE ABLE TO VALIDLY TRANSFER THE FIREARM ON OR BEFORE THE EXPIRATION PERIOD OF THE PLTOPF.

SEC. 12-B. Modes of Application. — FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS ACT, THE FOLLOWING SHALL BE THE MODES OF APPLICATION OF LTOPF AND PLTOPF:

a) WALK-IN APPLICATION AT THE FEO OR IN ANY RCSU IN POLICE REGIONAL OFFICES (PRO) WHERE THE APPLICANT RESIDES OR ANY ONE-STOP SHOP OR ITS EQUIVALENT SETUP BY THE PNP FOR LTOPF AND/OR PLTOPF APPLICATION;

b) ONLINE APPLICATION THROUGH THE FEO WEBSITE; AND,

c) CARAVANS CONDUCTED OR PARTICIPATED BY THE PNP.

SEC. 14-A. Possession of Loading/Reloading Machines. — THE FOLLOWING ARE AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR A ONE TIME REGISTRATION TO POSSESS AMMUNITION RELOADING MACHINE:

a) SPORTS SHOOTER FOR PERSONAL USE ONLY;

b) LICENSED MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS;

c) ACCREDITED GUN CLUBS;

d) ACCREDITED COMMERCIAL SHOOTING RANGES; AND

e) LEAS.

ONLY A NATURAL AND JURIDICAL PERSON WITH LICENSE TO MANUFACTURE AMMUNITION, LICENSED DEALER WITH PERMIT TO LOAD/RELOAD AMMUNITION AND COMMERCIAL SHOOTING RANGES SHALL BE ALLOWED TO SELL RELOADED AMMUNITION.

RELOADING MACHINES SHALL BE SERIALIZED AND REGISTERED WITH THE FEO.

LICENSED JURIDICAL ENTITIES, ACCREDITED GUN CLUBS, ACCREDITED COMMERCIAL SHOOTING RANGES AND LEAS SHALL SUBMIT A MONTHLY REPORT ON THE PRODUCTION AND DISPOSAL OF RELOADING MACHINES AND RELOADED AMMUNITION WITH THE FEO.

SEC. 17-A. Shooting Range. — SHOOTING RANGE REFERS TO A FACILITY ESTABLISHED FOR THE PURPOSE OF FIREARMS TRAINING AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT, FIREARM AND AMMUNITION TESTING, AS WELL AS FOR SPORTS AND SHOOTING COMPETITION EITHER FOR THE EXCLUSIVE USE OR OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

A COMMERCIAL SHOOTING RANGE MUST BE DULY REGISTERED WITH FEO AND ACCREDITED IN GOOD STANDING AND MUST COMPLY WITH ALL THE NECESSARY SAFETY REQUIREMENTS. THE MINIMUM SAFE DISTANCE FROM THE BACKSTOP TO THE SHOOTER OF AN INDOOR/OUTDOOR COMMERCIAL RANGE IS EIGHT (8) METERS.
A COMMERCIAL SHOOTING RANGE IS ALLOWED TO OWN
AND POSSESS SMALL ARMS AND LIGHT WEAPONS FOR THE
PURPOSE OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING.

SEC. 17-B. Shooting Competitions. — A COLLECTIVE GROUP OF
COMPETITIVE OR RECREATIONAL SPORTING ACTIVITIES
INVOVING PROFICIENCY TESTS OF ACCURACY, PRECISION
AND SPEED IN SHOOTING WHICH IS HOSTED BY A GUN CLUB,
ANY ORGANIZATION OR SPORT SHOOTING ORGANIZATION
AND ACCREDITED BY THE FEO OR PHILIPPINE SPORTS
COMMISSION. THERE SHALL BE IN ALL SHOOTING
COMPETITIONS A RANGE SAFETY OFFICER.

SEC. 17-C. Range Safety Officer. — FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS
ACT, A RANGE SAFETY OFFICER MAY ALSO REFER TO A
RANGE SAFETY OFFICER, A RANGE OFFICER, MATCH
OFFICER, SAFETY OFFICER OR ANY EQUIVALENT POSITIONS
DISCHARGING SIMILAR FUNCTIONS.

IN ORDER TO BE A RANGE SAFETY OFFICER, HE MUST
POSSESS A VALID LICENSE TO OWN AND POSSESS FIREARM
AND MUST DISCHARGE THE FOLLOWING DUTIES AND
RESPONSIBILITIES WITH EXTRAORDINARY DILIGENCE OF A
GOOD FATHER OF A FAMILY:

a) TO PREVENT ANY INJURY IN THE SHOOTING RANGE;
b) TO EDUCATE ALL UNLICENSED SHOOTERS, JUNIOR SPORT
SHOOTERS OR COMPETITORS ON GUN SAFETY OR MATCH
RULES AS THE CASE MAY BE;
c) TO ASSIST ALL SHOOTERS, JUNIOR SPORT SHOOTERS OR
COMPETITORS AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO PROMOTE
SAFETY;
d) TO THOROUGHLY FAMILIARIZE HIMSELF WITH ALL
CURRENT REGULATIONS, MATCH RULES AND ATTENDANT
SUBJECTS;
e) TO CONFER TO HIS EMPLOYER, FELLOW RANGE
OFFICERS, MATCH OFFICIALS OR PROPER AUTHORITIES
CONCERNING ANY INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOR OF ANY
UNLICENSED SHOOTER, JUNIOR SPORT SHOOTER OR
COMPETITOR AS THE CASE MAY BE AND ANY DECISIONS TO
BE RENDERED.

Sec. 18-A. Junior Sport Shooter. — ANY NATURAL PERSON BELOW
EIGHTEEN (18) YEARS OF AGE WHO IS ENGAGED OR
TRAINING TO BE ENGAGED IN SPORTS SHOOTING SHALL
SUBMIT THE ORIGINAL OR AUTHENTICATED COPIES
FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS TO SECURE A JUNIOR SPORTS
SHOOTER’S PERMIT:

a) DULY ACCOMPLISHED APPLICATION FORM;
b) ENDORSEMENT FROM THE PRESIDENT OF AN
ACCREDITED GUN CLUB OR SPORTS SHOOTING
ASSOCIATION; AND

c) AN UNDERTAKING SIGNED BY THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN
THAT THE JUNIOR SPORT SHOOTER CAN ONLY TRAIN OR
ENGAGE IN SPORT SHOOTING IN THE PRESENCE OF THE
LICENSE HOLDER OF THE FIREARM AND AN INSTRUCTOR
RANGE SAFETY OFFICER.
A JUNIOR SPORT SHOOTER MAY PARTICIPATE IN BOTH LOCAL OR INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION USING A FIREARM OWNED, REGISTERED, AND POSSESSED BY THE FOLLOWING:

a) AUTHORIZED GUN CLUB;
b) ANY LICENSE HOLDER; OR,
c) JUNIOR SHOOTER’S PARENT OR IN THE ABSENCE OF HIS PARENT, BY HIS LEGAL GUARDIAN.

PROVIDED THAT THE LICENSE HOLDER AND INSTRUCTOR OR RANGE SAFETY OFFICER SHALL BE WITH THE JUNIOR SPORT SHOOTER DURING PRACTICE SESSIONS AND COMPETITIONS.”

Approved,