

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR
NO. 76-05

Radio amateurism exists and is embraced by many enthusiasts not only as a hobby but also to serve certain meaningful purposes for the general welfare, both nationally and internationally and as such, there is a need to infuse an increased professionalism and greater discipline on the part of those engaged in the art. This is particularly true in the Philippines where such a necessity is dictated by the desire to enhance its further growth and maturity through self-regulation, and this make radio amateurism as an effective instrument not only for technological advancement in the field of telecommunications but also in the promotion of social, economic, and cultural well-being of the country.

Towards this end, and in order to rationalize the role of radio amateurism in this country, it is necessary to integrate all radio amateurs in the Philippines into one national organization/ association, with whom the Government shall coordinate with on matters affecting the interest of radio amateurism.

By virtue of the provisions of Department (DPWTC) Order No. 13, series of 1971, which recognizes the Philippine Amateur Radio Association, Inc. (PARA) as the single national society of radio amateurs in the Philippines, and by reason also of the recognition of said Association by and its membership with the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU), the said association is hereby formally designated by the Telecommunications Control Bureau (TCB) as the one with whom it shall coordinate with on matters concerning amateur radio licensing and examination, frequency assignment and usage, and other related activities affecting the interest of radio amateurism in the Philippines.

To give impetus to the spirit and purpose of this Circular all radio amateurs in this country must affiliate or register their membership with PARA in accordance with its rules and by laws, including non-Filipino citizens who are or may be qualified to operate amateur radio stations in the Philippines.

To purpose of this Circular, the TCB will not issue any amateur radio operator or stations license/permit or grant any other privilege related thereto to any applicant who cannot show evidence of affiliation or membership with PARA.

In accordance with this designation and for effective implementation of this Circular, PARA is duly-bound to strictly observe all the terms and conditions stipulated in the Memorandum of Agreement between PARA and the TCB.

It is understand that the TCB is not precluded from withdrawing this designation of PARA at any time whenever it deems it proper and necessary in protecting and promoting the interest of radio amateurism or of the state. Neither does it preclude said Bureau from directly proceeding against any individual radio amateur who is a member or an affiliate of PARA, of violation of any existing radio laws and regulations.



This Circular shall take effect thirty (30) days after the date of issuance hereof. Any order, circular, memorandum or instruction or part thereof which is inconsistent herewith be considered superseded or amended accordingly.

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