



LAWS AND REGULATIONS

PROMULGATED TO GIVE EFFECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL TREATIES ON NARCOTIC DRUGS AND PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES

In accordance with the relevant articles of the international treaties on narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, the Secretary-General has the honour to communicate the following legislative texts.

PHILIPPINES

Communicated by the Government of the Philippines

NOTE BY THE SECRETARIAT

- a) International non-proprietary names in the text have been underlined by the Secretariat.
- b) Some editing of texts may be done by the Secretariat in the interest of clarity. In this connection, words in square brackets [] have been added or changed by the Secretariat.
- c) Only passages directly relevant to the control of narcotic drugs or psychotropic substances have been reproduced in this document. Non-relevant parts of laws and regulations have been deleted by the Secretariat; such deletions are indicated by [...].

INDEX

	<u>Page</u>
E/NL.1980/35 Presidential Decree No. 1675, Amending further Section 4 of Republic Act No. 6425, as amended	1
E/NL.1980/36 General Order No. 65 Amending further Section 1 of General Order No. 60, as amended	3
E/NL.1980/37 Presidential Decree No. 1683 Amending certain sections of Republic Act No. 6425, as amended	4
	E/NL.1980/35

MALACAÑANG

MANILA

PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1675

AMENDING FURTHER SECTION 4 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6425, AS AMENDED, 1/
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE DANGEROUS DRUGS ACT OF 1972

Whereas, the campaign against the manufacture and distribution of dangerous drugs is one of the nation's primary concerns in the fight against criminality and lawlessness;

WHEREAS, the baneful effects of drug addiction, if not effectively checked, would undermine public order and the stability of the State; and

WHEREAS, there is urgent necessity to reinforce the drive against dangerous drugs by making "drug pushing" a capital offense;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the land, do hereby order, as follows:

Section 1. Section 4 of Republic Act No. 6425, as amended, otherwise known as the Dangerous Drugs Act of 1972, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Section 4. Sale, Administration, Delivery, Distribution and Transportation of Prohibited Drugs. The penalty of life imprisonment to death and a fine ranging from twenty thousand to thirty thousand pesos shall be imposed upon any person who, unless authorized by law, shall sell, administer, deliver, give away to another, distribute, dispatch in transit or transport any prohibited drug, or shall act as a broker in any of such transactions. If the victim of the offense is a minor or should a prohibited drug involved in any offense under this Section be the proximate cause of the death of a victim thereof, the maximum penalty herein provided shall be imposed."

Section 2. This Decree shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 17th day of February in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty.

(SGD.) FERDINAND E. MARCOS
President of the Philippines

By the President:

(SGD.) JOAQUIN T. VENUS, JR.
Presidential Staff Director

Certified True Copy:

ROMEO J. SANGA
Chief, Control, Regulation and
Enforcement Division
Dangerous Drugs Board

MALACAÑANG

MANILA

GENERAL ORDER NO. 65

AMENDING FURTHER SECTION I OF GENERAL ORDER NO. 60, AS
AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the campaign against the manufacture and distribution of dangerous drugs is one of the nation's primary concerns in the fight against criminality and lawlessness;

WHEREAS, the baneful effects of drug addiction, if not effectively checked, would undermine public order and the stability of the State; and

WHEREAS, there is urgent necessity to reinforce the drive against drug addiction by including "drug-pushing" among the offenses for which an arrest, search and seizure order may be issued by the Minister of National Defense;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the land, do hereby order:

Section 1. Section 1 of General Order No. 60, as amended by General Order No. 62, is hereby further amended by adding thereto a new paragraph to be denominated as paragraph (i) which shall read as follows:

"(i) Violation of Section 4 of Republic Act No. 6425, as amended, otherwise known as the Dangerous Drugs Act of 1972." 1/

Section 2. All persons who are arrested for violation of Section 4 of Republic Act No. 6425, as amended, shall be committed to special rehabilitation asylums under the administration of the Dangerous Drugs Board.

Section 3. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, Philippines, this 17th day of February in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty.

(SGD.) FERDINAND E. MARCOS
President of the Philippines

By the President:

(SGD,) JOAQUIN T. VENUS JR.
Presidential Staff Director

Certified True Copy:

ROMEO J. SANGA
Chief, Control, Regulation and
Enforcement Division
Dangerous Drugs Board

MALACAÑANG

MANILA

PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1683

AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6425, AS AMENDED, 1/
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE DANGEROUS DRUGS ACT OF 1972,
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the campaign against the manufacture and distribution of dangerous drugs is one of the nation's primary concerns in the fight against criminality and lawlessness;

WHEREAS, it has been noted that the use of regulated drugs as substitutes for prohibited drugs has become rampant;

WHEREAS, there is an imperative necessity to effectively check the use of both prohibited and regulated drugs by increasing the penalties for illegal traffic in, and illegal importation of, all dangerous drugs, and illegal manufacture of regulated drugs, and by making them capital offenses;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the land, do hereby order and decree:

Section 1. Sub-paragraph (2), paragraph (e) of Section 2 of Republic Act No. 6425 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(2) 'Regulated drug', which includes sleep-inducing sedatives, such as secobarbital, phenobarbital, pentobarbital, barbital, amobarbital, and any other drug which contains a salt or a derivative of a salt of barbituric acid; any salt, isomer or salt of an isomer, of amphetamine, such as benzedrine or dexedrine, or any drug which produces a physiological action similar to amphetamine; and hypnotic drugs, such as methaqualone, nitrazepam or any other compound producing similar physiological effects;"

Section 2. Section 3 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 3. Importation of Prohibited Drugs. The penalty of life imprisonment to death and a fine ranging from twenty to thirty thousand pesos shall be imposed upon any person who, unless authorized by law, shall import or bring into the Philippines any prohibited drug."

Section 3. Section 14 of the same Act is amended to read as follows:

"Section 14. Importation of Regulated Drugs. The penalty of life imprisonment to death and a fine ranging from twenty to thirty thousand pesos shall be imposed upon any person who, unless authorized by law, shall import or bring any regulated drug into the Philippines."

Section 4. Article III of R.A. No. 6425 is hereby amended by adding a new section between Sections 14 and 15 to be known as Section 14-A which shall read as follows:

"Section 14-A. Manufacture of Regulated Drugs. The penalty of life imprisonment to death and a fine ranging from twenty to thirty thousand pesos shall be imposed upon any person who, unless authorized by law, shall engage in the manufacture of any regulated drug."

Section 5. Section 15 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 15. Sale, Administration, Dispensation, Delivery, Transportation and Distribution of Regulated Drugs. The penalty of life imprisonment to death and a fine ranging from twenty thousand to thirty thousand pesos shall be imposed upon any person who, unless authorized by law, shall sell, dispense, deliver, transport or distribute any regulated drug. If the victim of the offense is a minor, or should a regulated drug involved in any offense under this Section be the proximate cause of the death of a victim thereof, the maximum penalty herein provided shall be imposed."

Section 6. Paragraph (1) of Section 36 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(1) Authorize, pursuant to the provisions of this Act, the importation, distribution, manufacture, production, compounding, prescription, dispensing and sale of, and other lawful acts in connection with, dangerous drugs of such kind and quantity as it may deem necessary according to the medical and research needs of the country, which authorization shall be required by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue as a basis for the issuance of permits for such purposes in accordance with Republic Act No. 953 2/ and to determine the quantity/quantities to be imported, manufactured and held in stock at any given time by an authorized importer, manufacturer, distributor of dangerous drugs;"

Section 7. This Decree shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 14th day of March, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty.

(SGD.) FERDINAND E. MARCOS
President of the Philippines

By the President:

(SGD.) JUAN C. TUVERA
Presidential Assistant

Certified True Copy:

ROMEO J. SANGA
Chief, Control, Regulation and
Enforcement Division
Dangerous Drugs Board

Notes

1/ E/NL.1976/50.

2/ E/NL.1953/159.