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> DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 34 Series of 1990

> > SUBJECT : Modifying Ministry Order No. 69 Series of 1983, to include provisions of the New Civil Code on Warranties of a Seller and Batas Pambansa Bilang 8 in the enumeration of "Trade and Industry laws."

SECTION I. Pursuant to Executive Order No. 913, Series of 1983 and Executive Order No. 133, Series of 1987, and for the purpose of affording further protection to consumers, Batas Pambansa Bilang 8 and Arts. 1546-1547, 1562, 1564, 1566-1569 of R.A. No. 386, as amended, otherwise known as the New Civil Code are hereby incorporated in the enumeration of "trade and industry laws" to be implemented by the Department.

Section 1 (d) of Memorandum Order No. 69, Series of 1983, is therefore, hereby amended to read as follows::

> d. "Trade and industry law" means any Act, Commonwealth Act, Republic Act, Batas Pambansa, Presidential Decree, General Order, Letter of Instructions, Executive Order, and other similar issuances, which regulate trade and industry activities, the violation of which subjects the offender to criminal or administrative penalties or civil liability, or does not subject the offender to any penalty, sanction, or liability at all, and which laws or issuances are subject to the implementation, administration, execution or enforcement of the Ministry. The rules and regulations implementing the said laws and issuances are deemed included in the term "trade and industry law."

When a ministry, bureau, office, agency, local government unit, governmentowned or controlled corporation including any of its subsidiaries, or any other government instrumentality deputizes the the Ministry upon the latter's request, to perform some of its functions which are related to trade and industry, as provided under Section 15 of Executive Order No. 913, the regulatory laws and rules and regulations on which said functions are based shall be deemed "trade and industry laws" and therefore the violations thereof shall be subject to the adjudicatory power of the Minister.

The following are some of the laws covered by the term "trade and industry law":

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- 1. Arts. 1-30, Code of Commerce Law on registration of merchants:
- 2. Act No. 2333 Law on untrue, deceptive or misleading advertisements.
- 3. Act No. 2728 as amended Organic Act of the then Bureau of Commerce.
- Act No. 3595 as amended Law on the manufacture, importation, and sale of galvanized iron, barbed wire and nails.
- 5. Act No. 3596 Law on the sale of paints and paint materials.
- 6. Act No. 3740 as amended Law on fraudulent advertising, mislabeling and misbranding.
- Art. 186, Act No. 3815 as amended Law on monopolies and combinations in restraint of trade.
- 8. Art, 187, Act No. 3815 as amended Law on importation and disposition of falsely-marked articles or merchandise made of gold, silver, or other precious metals or their alloys.
- 9. Art. 188, Act No. 3815 as amended Law on substitution and alteration of trade-marks, trade names or service marks.
- 10. Art. 189, Act No. 3815 as amended Law on unfair competition, fraudulent registration of trade mark, trade name or service mark, fraudulent designation of origin, and false description.
- 11. Act No. 3883 as amended Law on business names
- 12. Act No. 3893 as amended Law on bonded warehouses.

- 13. Act No. 3952 as amended Law on bulk sales
- 14. R.A. No. 71 as amended Law on price tags
- 15. R.A. No. 165 as amended Law on patents

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- 16. <u>R.A. No. 166 as amended</u> Law on trademarks, trade names and service marks.
- 17. R.A. No. 623 as amended Law on the use of duly-stamped or marked containers for products.
- 18. <u>R.A. No. 1180 as amended</u> Law on retail trade nationalization.
- 19. <u>Sec. 3, R.A. No. 1292</u> Law requiring importers of prime commodities to sell to Filipino retailers at the same mark-up as their sales through their present trade channels at least 30% of their imports.
- 20. <u>R.A. No. 3137</u> Law on embroidery and apparel.
- 21. R.A. No. 4109 Law on product standards.
- 22. P.D. No. 94 as amended Charter of the Philippine Cement Industry Authority.
- 23. P.D. No. 165 as amended Law Creating the Philippine Shippers Council.
- 24. P.D. No. 218 as amended Law on the establishment of regional headquarters of multinationals.
- 25. P.D. No. 272 as amended Charter of the Iron and Steel Authority.
- 26. P.D. No. 279 Charter of the Design Center Philippines.
- 27. P.D. No. 488 as amended Charter of the then Ministry of Industry.
- 28. P.D. No. 721 Charter of the then Ministry of Trade.
- 29. <u>P.D. No. 930</u> Law on export procedure and documentation.
- 30. P.D. No. 1167 Law regulating the overseas construction industry.

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- 31. P.D. No. 1419 Law on the establishment of regional warehouse of multinationals.
- 32. <u>P.D. No. 1466</u> Law on the utilization and services of Philippine flag vessels, in international trade.
- 33. P.D. No. 1572 Law on accreditation of service and repair enterprises.
- 34. P.D. No. 1674 Law on price stabilization of prime and essential commodities.
- 35. <u>P.D. No. 1746</u> Law creating the Construction Industry Authority of the Philippines (CIAP).
- 36. P.D. No. 1788 Charter of the NACIDA.
- 37. P.D. No. 1820 Law on International Gift-giving Program.
- 38. Ex. Or. No. 537 as amended Charter of the Garments and Textile Export Board.
- 39. <u>Ex. Or. No. 574</u> Revised Charter of the then Ministry of Trade.
- 40. Ex. Or. No. 782 Law on the importation of used trucks and engines.
- 41. Ex. Or. No. 843 Law creating a Commission on Export Procedures.
- 42. LOI No. 444 Law on trading with socialist and other centrally-planned economy countries.
- 43. LOI No. 1208 Law on product qualification, product quality assurance and quality control schemes for electrical wires, materials, components and devices, as wellias, fire-fighting equipment, systems and devices.
- 44. LOI No. 1305 Law on cement hoarding, price manipulation and profiteering.
- 45. LOI No. 1336 Law requiring MTI (among other agencies) to ensure that all export proceeds are remitted.

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46. LOI No. 1355 - Law modifying the International Gift-giving Program.

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- 47. LOI No. 1359 Law directing measures to prevent hoarding, profiteering and price manipulation of prime and essential commodities.
- 48. Arts. 1546-1547 of R.A. 386, as amended (the New Civil Code) - Law on Conditions and Warranties.
- 49. Arts. 1561-1564, 1566-1569 of R.A. 386, as amended (The New Civil Code) - Law on Warranty against Hidden Defects of, or Encumbrances upon the Thing Sold.
- 50. Batas Pambansa Bilang 8 An Act Defining the Metric System and its Units, Providing for its Implementation and Other Purposes.

SECTION 2. This Department Administrative Order shall take effect 15 days following its publication in two (2) newspaper of general circulation.

Makati, Metro Manila, <u>Nov. 28</u> 1990.

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