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I hereby promulgate the Ministry of Postal Services Establishment Law.

Signed: HIROHITO, Seal of the Emperor

This fifteenth day of the twelfth month of the twenty-third year of Showa (December 15, 1948)

Prime Minister  
YOSHIDA Shigeru

### Law No. 244

The Ministry of Postal Services  
Establishment Law

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#### Chapter I. General Provisions

##### (Purpose of this Law)

Article 1. The purpose of this Law is to specify the powers and scope of the functions of the Ministry of Postal Services, and at the same time, to establish the standard for an organization fit for the rational and efficient operation of the enterprises enumerated in Article 3.

##### (Establishment)

Article 2. The Ministry of Postal Services shall be established in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 2, Article 3 of the National Government Organization Law (Law No. 120 of 1948).

2 The head of the Ministry of Postal Service shall be called the Minister of Postal Services.

(Responsibility of the Ministry of Postal Services)

Article 3. The Ministry of Postal Services shall be the only Japanese Government agency responsible for integrated national public services as follows:

1. Mail Service;
2. Postal Savings, Postal Order and Postal Transfer Savings Service;
3. Post Office Life Insurance and Post Office Annuities Service.

2 Besides those mentioned in the preceding paragraph, the Ministry shall take charge of Services incidental thereto, services entrusted by the Ministry of Tele-communications, service related to the sale of revenue stamps and businesses related to payment of annual and lump sum pensions, and receipt and payment of national treasury.

3 The Ministry shall perform services mentioned in the preceding two paragraph in a manner which will show the highest efficiency and will provide for the greatest public benefit.

(Powers of the Ministry of of Postal Services)

Article 4. The Ministry of Postal Services shall, in order to perform the functions prescribed in this Law, have the power as listed belows:

1. To conclude, in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations and within the limits of the budgets, contracts necessary for the performance of the businesses under its jurisdiction;
2. To establish, maintain or abolish, in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations, facilities necessary for the performance of the businesses under its jurisdiction, such as service facilities and research facilities;
3. To supply, in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations, articles and materials necessary for the performance of the businesses under its jurisdiction, such as articles and materials to be used in the services or researches, and stationeries;
4. To dispose, in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations, of properties no longer required;



5. In accordance with the provisions of the National Public Service Law (Law No. 120 of 1947), to take necessary actions related to the official status of the personnel such as appointment or removal and reward or discipline;
6. To determine, within the limits not conflicting with the National Public Service Law and other laws and regulations, service conditions, such as compensation and duty hours of the personnel;
7. To establish, maintain or abolish facilities necessary for the welfare and sanitation of the personnel in conformity with the provisions of laws and regulations providing the welfare and sanitation for Japanese Government personnel;
8. To train the personnel in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations;
9. To establish, maintain or abolish, in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations, houses and living quarters for use of the personnel;
10. To make administrative inspection of the businesses under its jurisdiction, and take necessary actions in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations;
11. In accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations, to pay for damages and accept reparations concerning businesses under its jurisdiction;
12. To determine the official seal of the Ministry of Postal Services;
13. To publish and distribute statistics and information of studies and investigations related to the businesses under its jurisdiction;
14. To make publicity and information concerning the services under its jurisdiction;
15. To conduct, in the limits not affecting the performance of the proper businesses, commercial advertisement service utilizing equipments and articles used in the Services or other articles necessary for utilizing the Mail Service, such as postage stamp books;
16. To fix service hours and contents of services to be handled at post offices;
17. To make and sell articles necessary for utilizing the Mail Service, such as packing goods and envelopes;
18. Within the limits authorized by treaties and conventions or laws, to negotiate and conclude agreements related to foreign mail service, foreign postal order service and foreign postal transfer saving service, and to reduce or increase the fees thereof;

19. In accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations, to operate reserve funds and surplus funds derived from Post Office Life Insurance Service and Post Office Annuities Service;
20. To establish, maintain or abolish sanitation facilities for the insured of Post Office Life Insurance within the limits of an appropriation by the Diet for this specific purpose;
21. In accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations, to collect revenues and make such payments as are necessary for the performance of the businesses under its jurisdiction and to specify method of reporting and accounting for such receipts and expenditures;
22. Powers prescribed by treaties and conventions, laws or orders authorized by the special delegation of laws as to be involved in the powers of the Ministry, besides those regulations prescribed in the preceding items.

## Chapter II. Subdivisions on Ministerial Level and Local Organizations

### Section 1. Subdivisions

#### (Subdivisions)

Article 5. The Ministry of Postal Service shall have the Minister's Secretariat and bureaus and in conformity with the provisions of Article 21 of the National Government Organization Law, divisions as enumerated below:

- Postal Inspection Bureau
  - First Division
  - Second Division
  - Third Division
- Postal Bureau
  - Management Division
  - Business Division
  - Transportation and Facilities Division
- Postal Savings Bureau
  - Management Division
  - Business Division
  - Accounting Division
- Post Office Life Insurance Bureau
  - Management Division
  - Business Division
  - Finance Division
  - Actuarial Division
- Personnel Bureau
- Accounts and Finance Bureau
- Supply Bureau
- Building and Repairs Bureau

- 2 Businesses to be taken in charge of the divisions prescribed in paragraph 1, shall be determined by Cabinet Order.



- 3 Each division mentioned in paragraph 1 may have such sections as stated in Article 3 of National Government Organization Law.

(Businesses of Minister's Secretariat)

Article 6. The Minister's Secretariat shall take charge of the following businesses under the jurisdiction of the Ministry:

1. Confidential matters;
2. Determination and custody of official seals;
3. Receipt, delivery, dispatch, compilation and preservation of official documents;
4. Integration and adjustment of businesses under the charge of the bureaus;
5. Review, integration and coordination of drafts for laws and orders and other legal matters;
6. Establishment and abolition of subdivisions;
7. Contract with the Diet;
8. Liaison through the Central Liaison and Coordination Agency;
9. Procedures for the official announcement and information;
10. Matters incidental to above mentioned businesses;
11. Miscellaneous matters of the Ministry which do not come under the jurisdiction of bureaus.

(Businesses of Postal Inspection Bureau)

Article 7. The Postal Inspection Bureau shall take the charge of the following businesses:

1. Investigation in and necessary actions for all crimes, offenses and troubles excepting trifling matters relating to the functions of the Ministry;
2. To pay for damages and accept reparations, caused by crimes, offenses and troubles mentioned in the preceding item;
3. Inspection and investigation of all the businesses under the jurisdiction of the Ministry;
4. Accumulation and analysis of public opinions; investigation of and reply to applied complaints of the public related to the businesses of the Ministry;
5. Coordination with the Administrative Management Agency concerning the inspection of administration of the Ministry under the jurisdiction of the Administrative Management Agency;
6. Preparation of drafts for and enforcement of laws and regulations related to the businesses mentioned in 1, 3 and 4 above;
7. Establishment and execution of operating procedures for the businesses under

the charge of the Bureau;

8. Preparation of plans for the requirements and procurement of personnel to serve in the Bureau and its local offices;
9. Training of the personnel to serve in the Bureau and its local offices;
10. Preparation of budgets for the businesses under the charge of the Bureau and the performance of approved projects;
11. Publicity of the businesses under the charge of the Bureau; preparation of statistics relative to the businesses under the charge of the Bureau;
12. Besides those listed above, matters related to the inspection of the functions of the Ministry prescribed by laws and regulations as to be involved in the powers of the Ministry;
13. Matters incidental to above mentioned businesses.

(Businesses of Postal Bureau)

Article 8. The Postal Bureau shall take charge of the following businesses:

1. Establishment and performance of plans for the management of the Mail Service;
2. Preparation of drafts for and enforcement of conventions and agreements, and laws and regulations related to the Mail;
3. Establishment and execution of service rules for the Mail Service;
4. International conferences and the Universal Postal Union related to the Mail;
5. Establishment and abolition of Post Offices;
6. Determination of service hours and contents of services to be handled at post offices related to the Mail Service;
7. Conclusion of contracts for the transportation of mail matters;
8. Issue and sale of postage stamps and postal cards impressed with mail charges; sale of envelopes, seal papers and other articles necessary for utilizing the Mail Service, and revenue stamps;
9. Preparation of plans for the requirements and procurement of personnel to serve in the Bureau and its local offices;
10. Training of the personnel to serve in the Bureau and its local offices;
11. Preparation of budgets for the Mail Service and the performance of approved projects;
12. Publicity of the Mail Services and carrying out commercial advertising service utilizing equipments and articles used in the Services or other materials necessary for utilizing the Mail Service, such as postage stamp books;



13. Performance of services entrusted to the Ministry in accordance with the provision of Article 6 of the Ministry of Telecommunications Establishment Law (Law No. 245 of 1948);
14. Besides those listed above, matters related to the Mail Service prescribed by laws and regulations as to be involved in the powers of the Ministry;
15. Matters incidental to above mentioned businesses.

(Businesses of Postal Savings Bureau)

Article 9. The Postal Savings Bureau shall take charge of the following businesses:

1. Establishment and performance of plans for the management of Postal Savings, Postal Order and Postal Transfer Savings Services, and businesses related to payment of annual and lump sum pensions, and receipt and payment of national treasury (to be referred to as P. O. and Savings, hereinafter);
2. Preparation of drafts for and enforcement of conventions and agreements, and laws and regulations related to P. O. and Savings;
3. Establishment and execution of service rules for P. O. and Savings;
4. International conferences and the Universal Postal Union related to Postal Order and Postal transfer Savings;
5. Establishment and abolition of Local Savings Branch Offices;
6. Determination of service hours and contents of services to be handled at post offices related to P. O. and Savings;
7. Collecting total sum of incomes and outgoes related to P. O. and Savings;
8. Ledger of Postal Savings and Postal Transfer Savings;
9. Issue and sale of postal savings coupons;
10. Determination of practise standards for the treatment of cash of post offices;
11. Encouragement of postal savings;
12. To pay for damages, and accept reparations (excluding those under the charge of the Postal Inspection Bureau) and to take necessary actions for making up for deficit caused through the handling of P. O. and Savings;
13. Preparation of plans for the requirements and procurement of the personnel to serve in the Bureau and its local offices;
14. Training of the personnel to serve in the Bureau and its local offices;
15. Preparation of budgets for P. O. and Savings and the performance of approved projects;

16. Publicity of P. O. and Savings and carrying out commercial advertising service utilizing equipments and articles used in the Services;

17. Besides those listed above, matters related to P. O. and Savings prescribed by laws and regulations as to be involved in the powers of the Ministry;

18. Matters incidental to above mentioned businesses.

(Businesses of Post Office Life Insurance Bureau)

Article 10. The Post Office Life Insurance Bureau shall take charge of the following businesses:

1. Establishment and performance of plans for the management of Post Office Life Insurance and Annuities (to be referred to as Insurance and Annuities, hereinafter);
2. Preparation of drafts for and enforcement of laws and regulations related to Insurance and Annuities;
3. Preparation of drafts for and enforcement of laws and regulations, and procedures related to accounts and financial matters concerning the Post Office Life Insurance and Annuities Special Account (to be referred to as Insurance and Annuities Special Account, hereinafter);
4. Establishment and execution of the service rules for Insurance and Annuities;
5. Establishment and abolition of Local Post Office Life Insurance Branch Offices;
6. Determination of service hours and contents of services to be handled at post offices related to Insurance and Annuities;
7. Establishment of plans for the requirements and procurement of personnel to serve in the Bureau and its local offices;
8. Training of the personnel to serve in the Bureau and its local offices;
9. Preparation of budgets related to Insurance and Annuities and the performance of approved projects;
10. Settlement of Insurance and Annuities Special Account;
11. Determination, receipt and disbursal of incomes and expenses of Insurance and Annuities Special Account;
12. Classification of incomes and expenses, assets and liabilities of Insurance and Annuities Special Account per service;
13. Study of system for Insurance and Annuities Special Account;
14. Ledger Accounting of Insurance and Annuities Special Account;
15. Collecting total sum of incomes and outgoes related to Insurance and Annuities;
16. Ledger of Insurance and Annuities;



17. Encouragement of Insurance and Annuities;
18. Operation of the reserve funds and funds to be reserved for Insurance and Annuities;
19. Matters related to actuarial businesses; such as basic calculation of the insurance and annuities rates, computation of the legal reserves;
20. Establishment, maintenance and abolition of health facilities for the insured;
21. To pay for damages, and accept reparations (excluding those under the charge of the Postal Inspection Bureau) and to take necessary actions for making up for deficit caused through the handling of Insurance and Annuities;
22. Publicity of Insurance and Annuities and carrying out commercial advertising service utilizing equipments and articles used in the Services;
23. The Post Office Life Insurance and Annuities Enterprise Deliberation Committee and the Post Office Life Insurance and Annuities Investigation Committee;
24. Besides those listed above, matters related to Insurance and Annuities prescribed by laws and regulations as to be involved in the powers of the Ministry;
25. Matters incidental to abovementioned businesses.

(Businesses of Personnel Bureau)

Article 11. The Personnel Bureau shall take charge of the following businesses:

1. Performance of businesses related to the personnel of the Ministry as listed below:
  1. Position classification, appointment and dismissal;
  2. Service conditions such as compensation and duty hours;
  3. Regulations on duty, status and disciplinary punishment;
  4. Consideration of work performance and personal service records;
  5. Preparation and preservation of personnel records;
  6. Compensation for injury and diseases incurred in line of duty; and official pension;
  7. Negotiation with the trade union, organization or group of the personnel and other matters related thereto;
  8. To take necessary actions for the complaints of the personnel.
2. Summarization of plans for the requirements and procurement of the personnel to serve in the Ministry;
3. Authorized number of personnel;
4. Welfare and sanitation for the personnel and establishment, maintenance and aboli-

tion of facilities necessary thereto;

5. Establishment, maintenance and abolition of houses and living quarters for use of the personnel;
6. Summarization of plans concerning the training of the personnel;
7. Preparation of drafts for and enforcement of laws and regulations pertaining to the Ministry of Postal Services Mutual Aids Association;
8. Establishment of plans for the requirements and Procurement of the personnel to serve in the Bureau and its local offices;
9. Training of the personnel to serve in the Bureau and its local offices;
10. Preparation of budgets related to the businesses in charge of the Bureau and the performance of approved projects;
11. Besides those listed above, matters related to personnel affairs prescribed by laws and regulations as to be involved in the powers of the Ministry, and not specified to be under the charge of other bureaus;
12. Matters incidental to abovementioned businesses.

(Businesses of Accounts and Finance Bureau)

Article 12. The Accounts and Finance Bureau shall take charge of the following businesses:

1. Summarization of budgets prepared by respective bureaus;
2. Establishment and enforcement of projects of Budgets in accordance with the projects prepared by respective bureaus;
3. Preparation of drafts for and enforcement of laws and regulations, and procedures related to accounting and financing concerning the Postal Services Special Account;
4. Settlement of all matters concerning the Postal Services Special Account;
5. Determination, receipt and disbursal of incomes and expenses of the Postal Services Special Account;
6. Classification of incomes and expenses, assets and liabilities of the Postal Services Special Account;
7. Study of system for the Postal Services Special Account;
8. Ledger accounting of the Postal Services Special Account;
9. Control, arrangement, and procurement of funds;
10. Preparation of procedures for contracts;
11. Summarization of plans for contracts and other matters prepared by respective bureaus;



12. Establishment of allotment program for disbursement and the notification thereof to respective bureaus;
13. Audit of all personnel charged with the conclusion of contracts, determination of incomes and expenses, the administration and custody of properties such as funds and articles, and the verification of entries in general ledgers and subsidiary books of the Ministry;
14. Approval of cheques and treasury money order;
15. Preparation of statistics for accounts and finance and establishment of basic plan related to the statistics of the businesses under the jurisdiction of the Ministry;
16. Preservation of statistics related to the businesses under the jurisdiction of the Ministry;
17. Cost accounting of Mail, Postal Order and Postal Transfer Savings; study for rationalization of charges thereof;
18. Preservation of records of fixed assets;
19. Establishment of basic procedures for commercial advertising services;
20. Establishment of plans for the requirements and procurement of the personnel to serve in the Bureau and its local offices;
21. Training of the personnel to serve in the Bureau and its local offices;
22. Preparation of budgets related to the businesses under the charge of the Bureau and the performance of approved projects;
23. Besides those listed above, matters related to finance, accounts and statistics prescribed by laws and regulations as to be involved in the powers of the Ministry, and not specified to be under the charge of other bureaus;
24. Matters incidental to abovementioned businesses.

(Businesses of Supply Bureau)

Article 13. The supply Bureau shall take charge of the following businesses:

1. Summarization of demand and supply projects and businesses relating to the allocation of materials and articles required by respective bureaus;
2. Establishment and execution of operating procedures for the businesses under the charge of the Bureau;
3. Purchase, borrowing, repairs, remodelling, warehousing, custody and delivery of materials and articles;
4. Establishment, maintenance and abolition of warehouses and repair shops;

5. Disposal of materials and articles no longer required;
6. Establishment of plans for the requirements and procurement of the personnel to serve in the bureau and its local offices;
7. Training of the personnel to serve in the Bureau and its local offices;
8. Preparation of budgets related to the businesses in charge of the Bureau and the performance of approved projects;
9. Besides those listed above, matters related to materials and articles prescribed by laws and regulations as to be involved in the powers of the Ministry, and not specified to be under the charge of other bureaus;
10. Matters incidental to above mentioned businesses.

(Businesses of Building and Repairs Bureau)

Article 14. The Building and Repairs Bureau shall take charge of the following businesses:

1. By request of respective bureaus, design and execution of construction and repairing works of lands, buildings, structures, water-borne crafts and subsidiary equipments (to be referred to as the real estate, hereinafter);
2. By request of respective bureaus, acquisition and disposal of the real estate;
3. Matters concerning maintenance of national properties and the real estate borrowed;
4. Conclusion of contracts relating to the real estate;
5. Establishment of plans for the requirements and procurement of the personnel to serve in the Bureau and its local offices;
6. Training of the personnel to serve in the Bureau and its local offices;
7. Preparation of budgets related to the businesses under the charge of the Bureau and the performance of approved projects;
8. Besides those listed above, matters related to building and repairs prescribed by laws and regulations as to be involved in the powers of the Ministry, and not specified to be under the charge of other bureaus;
9. Matters incidental to abovementioned businesses.

Section 2. Local Organizations

(Local Organizations)

Article 15. The Ministry of Postal Services shall, in accordance with provision of Article 21 of National Government Organization



Law, have following local organizations:  
 Local Postal Inspection Bureau;  
 Local Postal Services Bureau;  
 Local Savings Branch Office;  
 Local Post Office Life Insurance Branch  
 Offices;  
 Post Office.

2 Local Postal Inspection Bureau shall take charge of a part of the businesses of the Postal Inspection Bureau prescribed in Article 7; Local Postal Services Bureau shall take charge of a part of the businesses of bureaus prescribed in Article 8 to 10 inclusive; Local Savings Branch Office shall take charge of a part of the businesses prescribed in Article 9; Local Post Office Life Insurance Branch Office shall take charge of a part of the businesses prescribed in Article 10.

3 Post Office shall take charge of the field operation of businesses of the Local Postal Services Bureau.

4 Besides those listed in the preceding two paragraphs, the local organizations mentioned in Paragraph 1 shall take charge of a part of businesses mentioned in Article 6, Article 11 to 14 inclusive so far as they are concerned thereto.

Article 16. Local Postal Inspection Bureau and Local Postal Services Bureau shall be established in Tokyo Metropolis, Nagano City, Nagoya City, Kanazawa City, Osaka City, Hiroshima City, Matsuyama City, Kumamoto City, Sendai City and Sapporo City.

2 Local Postal Inspection Bureau shall have divisions as listed below:

First Division;

Second Division;

Third Division.

3 Local Postal Services Bureau shall have divisions as listed below:

Postal Services Division;

Postal Savings Division;

Life Insurance Division;

Personnel Division;

Accounts and Finance Division;

Supply Division;

Building and Repairs Division.

4 Title, jurisdiction and scope of the functions of Local Postal Inspection Bureau and Local Postal Services Bureau shall be speci-

fied by Cabinet Order, and details of subdivisions shall be determined by the Minister of Postal Services.

5 The Minister of Postal Services may, if necessary, establish branch offices to take charge of a part of businesses of local organizations.

6 Title, location, jurisdiction, scope of the functions and organization of subdivisions of branch offices mentioned in the preceding paragraph, and of the local organizations other than Local Postal Inspection Bureau and Local Postal Services Bureau shall be determined by the Minister of Postal Services.

### Chapter III. Subsidiary Organizations

#### (Subsidiary Organizations)

Article 17. Besides those mentioned in Article 22, subsidiary organizations to be established in the Ministry are as follows:

Museum;

Hospitals, Clinics and Sanitariums;

Personnel Training Schools.

#### (Museum)

Article 18. The Museum shall be an organization for enlightening and popularization of culture relating to the Postal Services.

#### (Hospitals, etc.)

Article 19. The Hospitals, Clinics and Sanitariums shall be the organization preserving the health of the personnel of the Ministry and the family thereof.

#### (Personnel Training Schools)

Article 20. The personnel Training Schools shall be the organization for training the personnel of the Ministry.

#### (Title, etc.)

Article 21. Titles, locations and organizations of subdivisions of the subsidiary organizations mentioned in Article 17 shall be prescribed by Ministry of Postal Services Ordinance.

#### (Other Subsidiary Organizations)

Article 22. Organizations listed in the left column of the table below shall be established as the subsidiary organizations of the Ministry of Postal Services, the purpose of establishment thereof being each given in the right column.

Kind	Purpose
Postale Services Advisory Council for the Minister of Postal Services	To deliberate and investigate into matters related to the service mentioned in Article 3 for promoting the sound and efficient management thereof (those matters to be deliberated in the Post Office Life Insurance and Annuities Enterprise Deliberation Committee shall be excluded)



## Kind

Post Office Life Insurance and Annuities Enterprise Deliberation Committee

Post Office Life Insurance and Annuities Investigation Committee

Ministry of Postal Services Mutual Aids Association Investigation Committee

Advisory Council for the Management of Ministry of Postal Services Mutual Aids Association

## Purpose

To deliberate and investigate into matters related to the management of Insurance and Annuities such as the drafts for insurance Policy Conditions and Annuities Policy Conditions, and matters related to the operation of reserve funds for Post Office Life Insurance and Annuities

As a mediation agency, to make investigation and impartial decision for the dispute risen between the Ministry and the insurance policy holder, beneficiary, annuity policy holder, annuitant, successive annuitant or receiver or refund money, concerning rights and duties related to the contracts for Post Office Life Insurance or Annuities

As a mediation agency, to make investigation and impartial decision for the dispute risen between the Ministry of Postal Services Mutual Aids Association and its member concerning the determination of payment and the collection of premium made by the Association

To make consideration and investigation concerning the matters related to the management of the Ministry of Postal Services Mutual Aids Association

- 2 Matters related to the organization, businesses, member of council or committee and other personnel of the subsidiary organizations listed in paragraph 1, shall be provided for by Cabinet Order except otherwise specified by other laws (including orders authorized by law).

## Chapter IV. Personnel and Position

### (Personnel)

Article 23. With respect to personnel to be placed in the Ministry, the provisions of the National Public Service Law shall be followed.

### (Directors)

Article 24. The Ministry of Postal Services shall have four Directors.

- 2 Directors shall be placed as the chief of Postal Inspection Bureau, Postal Services Bureau, Postal Savings Bureau and Post Office Life Insurance Bureau.

### (Chiefs of Subdivisions)

Article 25. The Minister's Secretariat, Divisions mentioned in Article 5 shall have the Chief Secretary, Chief of Division respectively.

- 2 Local organizations mentioned in Article 15 and their subdivisions shall have one chief respectively.
- 3 Subsidiary organizations mentioned in Article 17 shall have one chief respectively.
- 4 The chiefs mentioned in preceding three paragraphs shall, by order of their superiors, respectively preside over the businesses of their offices, and direct and

supervise the personnel thereof.

- 5 The Accounts and Finance Bureau and Personnel Bureau shall have a deputy chief respectively.

- 6 The deputy chiefs shall assist the chiefs in managing the businesses and act for the chiefs in their absence.

(Postal Inspectors)

Article 26. The Ministry of Postal Services shall have less than seven hundred postal Inspectors to make inspection on the postal Activities.

- 2 Postal inspectors are the special representatives of the Minister of Postal Services. They are charged with the investigation into all matters concerning the operation of the Postal Activities, and keeping the Minister advised as to the condition and needs of the service. Alleged violations of law shall be investigated and reported upon by them, and shall when necessary aid in the prosecution of all criminal offenses.

- 3 Postal inspectors shall be appointed by the Minister of Postal Services from among the personnel of the Ministry. They shall be located at the place designated by the Minister.

Article 27. The postal inspector shall perform the functions same as that of the judicial police officer prescribed in the Code of Criminal Procedure of Japan (Law No. 131 of 1948) concerning the crimes and offenses related to the Postal Activities.

- 2 In case the arrest of suspects is needed,



the postal inspector shall require the national or municipal police officials who are performing the functions of the judicial police official to do it.

3 The national or municipal police officials who are performing the functions of judicial police official shall produce the suspects arrested in accordance with Paragraph 2 to the postal inspector.

4 The postal inspector may, where he receives the suspects of paragraph 3 or arrests flagrant offenders by himself and their detention is deemed necessary, keep them in nearby police station.

Article 28. In performing his duties, the postal inspector shall keep with him an identification certificate and, on request, shall show it to the parties concerned.

(Authorized Number of Personnel)

Article 29. Authorized number of personnel to serve in the Ministry shall be Stipulated by other law.

(Travel on Official Business by Personnel)

Article 30. As for the travel on official business by personnel, excluding the case necessary for inspection or audit, the travel shall specially get prior approval of the Minister of Postal Services.

#### Chapter V. Miscellaneous Provisions

(Delegation of Power)

Article 31. The Minister of Postal Services may, by providing the Instruction for the Performance of Duties, delegate powers prescribed in this Law concerning matters of detail to Bureaus, Divisions, local organizations and subsidiary organizations.

(Details of Organization)

Article 32. Details of the organization of the Ministry shall, excepting those provided in this Law, be prescribed by Cabinet Order, or by the Minister of Postal Services authorized by Cabinet Order.

Supplementary Provision:

This Law shall come into force as from April 1, 1949.

Minister of Communications

FURUHATA Tokuya

Prime Minister

YOSHIDA Shigeru

I hereby promulgate the Ministry of Telecommunications Establishment Law.

Signed: HIROHITO, Seal of the Emperor

This fifteenth day of the twelfth month of

the twenty-third year of Showa (December 15, 1948)

Prime Minister

YOSHIDA Shigeru

### Law No. 245

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### Chapter I. General Provisions

(Purpose of this Law)

Article 1. The purpose of this Law is to specify the powers and the businesses under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Telecommunications as well as to establish a standard for an organization fit for the rational and efficient management of the services enumerated in Article 4 and for the efficient performance of the administrative functions of the Ministry.

(Definitions)

Article 2. For an understanding of this Law and regulations in operation thereof, the following definitions shall apply:

1. Telecommunication Service: The provision, operation and maintenance of any means of transmitting or receiving of both of intelligence and facts by electrical methods of transmission or reception or both such as, but not limited to telephone, telegraph, facsimile, telephoto whether by wire or by radio;

2. Inside Plant: Telecommunication equipments and installations within buildings, and requiring building protection (exclusive of materials in storage) such as, but not limited to, equipment in telephone exchanges, repeater stations, terminal offices;



3. Outside Plant: Telecommunication equipments and installations not requiring building protection (exclusive of materials in storage) such as, but not limited to, pole lines, underground and aerial cable;
4. Telecommunication Plant: All equipments involved in furnishing the telecommunication service such as, but not limited to, physical installations, operating equipments, and buildings appurtenances thereto;
5. Telecommunication Activities: All organizational, management and operational functions of the Ministry of Telecommunications involved in the provision of telecommunication services and administration of telecommunication plant or facilities;
6. Privately-owned Facilities: All telecommunication facilities mentioned in 4 above not owned or directly controlled by the Ministry of Telecommunications, such as private branch telephone exchanges, terminal telephone or telegraph equipments, facsimile, radio stations (inclusive of both of transmitting and receiving);
7. PBX or PAX System: Privately or Ministry owned exchanges or systems providing telecommunication services within an office or a residence between a group of offices in the same building, or between a group of buildings within a compound when all stations are installed to provide service for a single individual, an agency, company, corporation or similar organization, engaged in a common activity or business. These systems do not include facilities for direct connection to subscribers outside the group of offices within a building or group of buildings within a compound associated in a common activity nor between buildings or compounds not adjacent to each other, except when special contract arrangements are made to serve such subscribers;
8. Telecommunication System: The combination of all plant and facilities as a whole, representing and integrated combination of individual installations into a system capable of providing and integrated telecommunication service. This word ordinarily means the telecommunication system operated by the Ministry of Telecommunications, if not specially defined;
9. Public Telephone: Telephone facilities which are not for subscribers and placed at the disposal of the general public for

which no individual or agency outside the Ministry of Telecommunications is specifically responsible;

10. Semi-Public Telephone Service: Telephone service which through contract agreement is permitted to be used upon payment of call charge by other than the contracting party;
11. International Telecommunications Service: Telecommunication services between Japan and any other point outside the jurisdiction of the Japanese Government;
12. Radio Frequency Equipment: Radio telegraph, radio telephone or any other devices using radio frequencies not less than 10,000 c/s (exclusive of cable carrier equipment and two and four bare line carrier equipment) and any devices emitting radio wave capable of causing interference thereto;
13. Radio Frequency Facilities: Radio frequency equipment furnished with personnel necessary for its service operation and technical operation;
14. Frequency: Frequency used in radio frequency equipment, or frequency of radio wave or electric current emitted from or carried in a radio frequency equipment;
15. Aeronautical Aids Facilities: All facilities and appurtenances thereto (including those at landing places) provided with the purpose of aiding air navigation.

#### (Establishment)

Article 3. The Ministry of Telecommunications shall be established in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 2 of Art. 3 of the National Government Organization Law (Law No. 120, 1948).

- 2 The Head of the Ministry of Telecommunications shall be called the Minister of Telecommunications.

(Responsibility of the Ministry of Telecommunications)

Article 4. The Ministry of Telecommunications shall be the only Japanese Governmental agency responsible for the integrated national and local public services as follows:

1. Telecommunication Service;
2. Radio Regulatory Activities;
3. Aeronautical Aids Service.
- 2 The Ministry of Telecommunications shall, besides those mentioned in 1, take charge of the businesses related to the regulation and supervision of privately owned wire facilities.
- 3 In conducting the businesses mentioned in the Preceding two paragraphs, the Ministry



of Telecommunications shall be responsible for the provision, operation and administration of integrated national and local public services which will request in the greatest possible public benefit.

(Powers of the Ministry of Telecommunications)

Article 5. The Ministry of Telecommunications shall, in performing the businesses under its jurisdiction as prescribed in this Law, have the powers as listed below:

1. In compliance with laws and regulations, and within the limits of the budget, to conclude such contracts as deemed necessary for the performance of the businesses under its jurisdiction;
2. In compliance with laws and regulations, to establish, maintain and abolish such facilities necessary for the performance of the businesses under its jurisdiction, such as service facilities and research facilities;
3. In compliance with laws and regulations, to supply articles and materials necessary for the performance of the businesses under its jurisdiction, such as materials to be used in the services or researches and stationeries;
4. In compliance with laws and regulations, to dispose of properties no longer required;
5. In compliance with the National Public Service Law (Law No. 120, 1947), to take necessary action concerning the status of personnel such as the appointment, removal, reward and discipline;
6. To determine, within the limits not conflicting with the National Public Service Law and other laws and regulations, the service conditions such as the amount of individual compensation and duty hours;
7. To establish, maintain and abolish such facilities necessary for the welfare and sanitation of the personnel in conformity with the provisions of laws and regulations providing welfare and sanitation for Government personnel;
8. In compliance with laws and regulations, to train the personnel;
9. In compliance with laws and regulations, to build, prepare, maintain and abolish houses and living quarters for the use of personnel;
10. To make administrative inspection of the businesses under its jurisdiction and initiate necessary action in compliance with laws and regulations;
11. In compliance with laws and regulations, to pay for damages and receipt

reparations concerning the businesses under the jurisdiction of the Ministry;

12. To determine the official seals of the Ministry of Telecommunications;
13. To publish and distribute statistics and data relative to the businesses under its jurisdiction;
14. To make publicity and information concerning the businesses under its jurisdiction;
15. To conduct, within the limits not affecting the performance of the proper businesses, commercial advertising service utilizing telecommunication facilities and articles necessary to the use of telephone or telegraph service such as telephone directories;
16. To fix service hours and contents of service of Local Telephone or Telegraph Offices (including branch offices and post offices handling telecommunication service entrusted; the same hereinafter);
17. To make and sell articles necessary for using telephone and telegraph services such as telephone directory and special telegram form;
18. To entrust whole or part of the researches and developments or investigations mentioned in Article 24, items 1 and 9, and Article 35, item 1 and Article 42, item 9 to some research organizations outside the Ministry if it is deemed more profitable that such researches or investigations being carried out by them, Performance, on a reimburseable basis, of research and development offered by other governmental or private agencies relative to the telecommunication technics;
19. To establish and maintain telecommunication systems for the exclusive use of either government agencies, private individuals, companies or similar and to contract with governmental or private agencies for the operation, of telecommunication systems established for their exclusive use;
20. In compliance with laws and regulations, to acquire the patent rights and utility model rights or application rights thereof, necessary for the operation of the telecommunication service and radio regulations activities;
21. Within the limits authorized by international conventions or laws, to negotiate and conclude international agreements with other countries, foreign agencies or foreign companies, covering the establishment of operation, operational matters,



rates for the international telecommunication service and in accordance with the provisions of international agreements, to increase or reduce tariffs;

22. In compliance with laws and regulations, to collect revenues and make such payments as are necessary for the performance of businesses under the jurisdiction of the Ministry and to specify methods of reporting and accounting for such receipts and payments;
23. To approve or disapprove applications for the construction, installation or operation of telecommunication facilities to be owned by other governmental or private agencies; such approval or disapproval will be based upon operational necessity and upon consideration of the responsibility of the Ministry of Telecommunications as stated in item 1 and item 3 of Article 4;
24. In compliance with laws and regulations to control, monitor and regulate the radio wave;
25. Within the limits authorized by international conventions and laws, to negotiate and conclude international agreements relating to radio wave regulation;
26. In compliance with laws and regulations, to regulate and supervise radio frequency facilities;
27. To determine standard frequency value; to emit standard frequency wave and to transmit time signal;
28. In compliance with laws and regulations, to establish the minimum performance standards for apparatus used in radio frequency equipment;
29. In compliance with laws and regulations, to conduct certification and field inspection of apparatus used in radio frequency equipment;
30. In compliance with laws and regulations, to determine qualification for persons to be engaged in the service operation or technical operation of radio frequency equipments; to conduct of qualifying examination, and to grant operating licence;
31. To suspend or revoke the license granted in accordance with Article 30 upon proof sufficient to satisfy the Agency that the licensee has violated any provision of law, and orders, any of the agency's rules and regulations or any applicable international or regional treaty, or convention binding on Japan;
32. To calibrate, on request, radio crystals and frequency measuring instruments

when entrusted to the Ministry;

33. Besides those listed above, such powers authorized by conventions, laws or by regulations specially authorizes by laws as to be involved in the Ministry.

(Entrusting of Business)

Article 6. The Ministry of Telecommunications may entrust a part of the field operational business under its jurisdiction to the Ministry of Postal Services where it is deemed more economical that such business be transacted by post offices. In this case the Ministry of Telecommunications shall directly direct and supervise post offices in the limit of entrusted business.

## Chapter II. Sub-divisions and Local Organizations

### Section 1. Sub-divisions

(Sub-divisions)

Article 7. The Ministry of Telecommunications (excluding Independent Organization) shall have the Minister's Secretariat and Bureaus as in the classification stated below, and in conformity with the provisions of Article 21 of the National Government Organization Law, Director-General's Secretariat, Divisions, Director's Chamber and Laboratory:

Director General's Secretariat

(Business operation Department)

Advertising, Public Relations and Commercial Engineering Bureau

Traffic Engineering Bureau

Commercial Operation Bureau

Traffic Operation Bureau

International Telecommunications Division

Service Director's Chamber for Business Operation Department

(Plant Department)

Plant Engineering Bureau

Construction and Installation Bureau

Maintenance Engineering Bureau

Supply Bureau

Building and Repairs Division

Director's Chamber for Plant Department

(Service Department)

Personnel Bureau

Accounts and Finance Bureau

Telecommunication Laboratory

- 2 Bureaus mentioned in 1 may have necessary Divisions in accordance with the provision of Article 21 of the National Government Organization Law.

- 3 The Laboratory mentioned in 1 shall have following 6 Divisions namely:

System Development Division, Equipment Parts Development Division, Research



Division, Model Shop Division, Patent and Publication Division and Administration Division.

4 Establishments of divisions mentioned in 2 and the business to be taken charge of shall be specified by Cabinet Order.

5 Divisions mentioned in 1, 2, 3, shall have Sections stated in paragraph 1, Article 7 of the National Government Organization Law.

(Special Officials)

Article 8. The Ministry of Telecommunications shall, have a Director-General and two Directors; Chiefs in Divisions and Laboratory mentioned in the preceding Article.

2 The Director-General shall, preside over the Departments and the Laboratory, and be responsible for the execution of business thereof.

3 Directors shall assisting the Director-General, preside over sub-divisions and be responsible for the execution of the businesses thereof; one Director shall be in charge of the Business Operation Department and the other, the Plant Department.

4 The Chief of the Laboratory shall, assisting the Director-General, preside over the divisions of the Laboratory and be responsible for the execution of the business.

5 The Chief of Division shall, by order of their superiors, respectively take charge of the business of their offices and direct and supervise the personnel thereof.

(Business of the Ministries Secretariat)

Article 9. The Minister's Secretariat shall take charge of following businesses related to the business under the jurisdiction of the Ministry:

1. Confidential matters;
2. Determination and custody of the official seals of the Ministry;
3. Receipt, delivery and dispatch of official documents;
4. Coordination of businesses;
5. Review of drafts for laws and regulations and other legal matters;
6. Summarisation of budgets and settlement of accounts for the general account;
7. Establishment and abolition of bureaus and divisions;
8. Contact with the Diet;
9. Liaison through the Central Liaison and Coordination office;
10. Administrative inspection of the business of the Ministry. Those to be conducted by the Director General's Secretariat shall be excluded.);
11. Procedures for official announcements and informations;

12. Miscellaneous matters of the Ministry which do not come under the jurisdiction of any other departments and bureaus.

(Business of the Director-General's Secretariat)

Article 10. The Director General's Secretariat shall take charge of following businesses relating to matters under his responsibility:

1. Confidential matters;
2. Co-ordination of businesses;
3. Compilation and storage of official documents;
4. Review of drafts for laws and regulations and other legal matters;
5. Administrative inspection of the enterprise;
6. Basic plan for the training of personnel;
7. Statistic analysis of management;
8. Miscellaneous matters which do not come under the jurisdiction of any other sub-divisions.

(Advertising and Public Relations and Commercial Engineering Bureau)

Article 11. The Advertising and Public Relations and Commercial Engineering Bureau shall take charge of the following businesses:

1. Establishment and execution of plans for canvassing advertising, publicity, publication and public relations programs relative to all telecommunication services;
2. Commercial advertising service mentioned in Item 15 of Article 5;
3. Accumulation and analysis of public opinions, investigation into the complaints and recommendations of the public, and reply in matters of general nature;
4. Negotiation with the owners of privately-owned facilities to be connected to the telecommunications system and acquisition of such facilities; investigation, negotiation and contract for special customers services for telephone and telegraph;
5. Fundamental and initial investigation of present and future requirements for the Telecommunication Service;
6. Establishment of rates and tariffs related to the telecommunication service and to accumulate and analyse data necessary therefor (excluding those in charge of International Telecommunications Division);
7. Announcement and publicity of information concerning all rates and tariffs;
8. Establishment of service conditions methods and procedures related to privately-owned facilities (including carrier facilities) and supervision thereof. However, regarding to those related to radio



frequency equipments, concurrence of the Radio Regulatory Agency must be obtained;

9. Besides those listed above, execution of matters related to the advertising and public relations and commercial engineering of telecommunication service prescribed by laws and regulations as to be involved in the powers of the Ministry;

(Business of the Traffic Engineering)

Article 12. The Traffic Engineering bureau shall take charge of the following businesses:

1. Based on the reports of subdivisions concerned and on the investigation mentioned in Item 5 of Article 11, investigation and preparation plans for matters directly connected with facilities, circuits and office buildings necessary for the traffic and presentation to the Plant Engineering Bureau. However with regard to the planning relating to the office buildings, those matters in charge of subdivisions of the Plant Department shall be excluded;
2. Establishment of service standards providing bases for the planning mentioned in Item 1;
3. Determination of circuit routings, switching plans and exchange service areas and establishment of other circuit and equipment usage plan which will obtain the most economic and efficient use of plant facilities;
4. Study of the arrangement of the characteristics of facilities in so far as they affect operating procedures and service standards;
5. In accordance with the provisions of Article 3 of the Telegraph Law (Law No. 59, 1900) and Article 6 of the Wireless Telegraph Law (Law No. 26, 1915), to use privately-owned facilities for the Public Correspondence;
6. Establishment of plans for rational arrangement of and standards for accommodations of office buildings such as lighting, air and heat conditioning for the effective and economic operation of Telephone or Telegraph Offices and presentation thereof to subdivisions concerned (those in charge of subdivisions of the Plant Department shall be excluded);
7. Summarisation of plans for requirement and disposal of lands and buildings used in the Business Department and presentation thereof to the Plant Engineering Bureau;
8. Technical assistance to the Advertising, Public Relations and Commercial Engineer-

ing Bureau relating to matters mentioned in Item 4 of Article 11;

9. Besides those listed above, the execution of matters related to the traffic engineering of telecommunication service prescribed by laws and regulations as to be involved in the powers of the Ministry.

(Business of the Commercial Operation Bureau)

Article 13. The Commercial Operation Bureau shall take charge of the following businesses:

1. Subscription of telephone, and acceptance and delivery of telegram;
2. In compliance with the principle established by the Advertising, Public Relations and Commercial Engineering Bureau, execution of programs relating to canvassing, advertising, publicity and publication regarding to the businesses in charge of the bureau;
3. Acceptance of complaints of the general public and disposal thereof in accordance with the principle established by the Advertising, Public Relations and Commercial Engineering Bureau; summarisation of data and presentation thereof to the Advertising, Public Relations and Commercial Engineering Bureau;
4. Establishment and abolition of service for public at the offices and to fix service hours and scope of business of Local Telephone or Telegram Offices;
5. Establishment and enforcement of service practices for telephone and telegraph service concerning commercial operation;
6. Establishment of telegraph service area;
7. Collection of rates and tariffs for telephone and telegraph service;
8. Compilation, publication and distribution or sale of telephone directory; to make and sell articles such as special telegram form;
9. To direct and supervise post office in relation to the businesses of the Ministry of Telecommunications entrusted to the Ministry of Postal Services concerning the commercial operation;
10. Besides those listed above, the execution of the commercial operation of the telecommunication service prescribed by laws and regulations as involved in the powers of the Ministry.

(Businesses of the Traffic Operation Bureau)

Article 14. The Traffic Operation Bureau shall take charge of the following businesses:

1. To operate the telecommunication facilities and traffic;



2. To supervise the operation of privately owned facilities connected into the telecommunication system and their traffic;
3. In case where the responsibility is vested in the Ministry, to operate whole or part of telecommunication facilities for use of domestic services such as police, navigation aids, meteorological, coastal or governmental services;
4. To direct and supervise post office in relation to the businesses of the Ministry of Telecommunications entrusted to the Ministry of Postal Services concerning the Traffic operation;
5. To summarise the drafts for budgets prepared by every sub-divisions of the Business Operation Department;
6. In case the budget is established, the drafting, in accordance with the policy determined by the superior and consulting with the sub-divisions mentioned in Item 5 above, of the execution plan for the established budget classified for the fiscal year and for the quarter period and presentation thereof to the Accounts and Finance Bureau;
7. The drafting of the adjustment plan for the execution project for the established budget in accordance with the alteration of the enterprise scheme or in conformity with the financial recommendations of the Accounts and Finance Bureau and presentation thereof the Accounts and Finance Bureau;
8. In accordance with the principle established by the Advertising, Public Relations and Commercial Engineering Bureau, execution of public relations programs related to the businesses in charge;
9. Determination of working hour for the businesses mentioned in Item 1 above;
10. Provision and analysis of records, statistics and other data related to the businesses in charge for use of sub-divisions concerned and presentation thereto;
11. Besides those listed above, the execution of the traffic operation of telecommunication prescribed by laws and regulations as to be involved in the powers of the Ministry.

(Business of the International Telecommunication Division)

Article 15. The International Telecommunications Division shall take charge of the following businesses:

1. Preparation of plans to meet with the requirements for the international telecommunication circuits and equipments and presentation thereof to the Plant

Engineering Bureau; co-ordination with the Traffic Operation Bureau and the Traffic Engineering Bureau concerning the domestic circuits and equipments;

2. Provision of international telecommunication service and operation of facilities used in the service, determination of service conditions;
3. Establishment, operation and administration of international telecommunication facilities furnished for the exclusive use of governmental or private agencies;
4. Establishment of rates and tariffs for international telecommunication service and presentation of data related thereto to the Advertising, Public Relations and Commercial Engineering Bureau;
5. Preparation of agreements with foreign governments, foreign agencies and carriers, concerning the establishment, operation, operational matters, rates and tariffs for international telecommunication service;
6. Preparation and mutual approval, with foreign governments, foreign agencies and carriers, of accounts for international telecommunication tariffs and to make clearance;
7. To operate whole or part of international telecommunication facilities for use of police, navigation aids, meteorological, coastal and governmental services, in case it is entrusted to the Ministry;
8. Coordinating with sub-divisions concerned or in compliance with their request, preparation of drafts for international conventions and agreements, and laws and regulations relative to the international telecommunication; provided that those matters under the jurisdiction of the Radio Regulatory Agency and Aeronautical Aids Agency are excluded;
9. Contact with the International Telecommunication Union; representation at international telecommunication commissions, federations, conferences and other similar assemblies, provided that those matters under the jurisdiction of the Radio Regulatory Agency and the Aeronautical Aids Agency are excluded;
10. Assistance and recommendation to the Advertising, Public Relations and Commercial Engineering Bureau concerning the planning relative to sale, advertising, publicity, publication, and public relations programs related to international telecommunication service;
11. Besides those listed above, execution of matters related to the international telecommunication service prescribed by laws



and regulations as involved in the powers of the Ministry.

(Business of the Plant Engineering Bureau)

Article 16. The Plant Engineering Bureau shall take charge of the following businesses:

1. Evaluation of requirements provided by subdivisions concerned which involved the new construction, addition, removal, replacement and rearrangement of telecommunication facilities; establishment of long-term and annual construction programs and fundamental plans;
2. Establishment of technical standards which will provide the basis for the plans mentioned in Item 1 of Article 12 and technical standards necessary for the construction and maintenance of telecommunication facilities; establishment of specifications for the telecommunication apparatus, articles, materials and equipments in accordance with the drafts prepared by the Electrical Communications Laboratory;
3. Estimate of total volume of materials in accordance with the programs mentioned in Item 1 and presentation thereof to the Supply Bureau;
4. Preparation of plans relating to requirements for apparatus, articles, materials, equipments and lands necessary for the construction and maintenance of telecommunication facilities and presentation thereof to respective subdivisions in charge;
5. Establishment of plans for the construction and major repairs of buildings for use of telecommunication services;
6. Summarisation of the budgetary estimates of the Plant Department and those of the Business Operation Department so far as they are concerned to the construction account and presentation thereof to the Accounts and Finance Bureau;
7. In case the budget is established, the drafting, in accordance with the policy determined by the superior and consulting with the subdivisions mentioned in Item 6 above, of the execution plan for the established budget classified for the fiscal year and for the quarter period and presentation thereof to the Accounts and Finance Bureau;
8. The drafting and submitting to the Accounts and Finance Bureau the adjustment plan for the execution project for the established budget in accordance with the alteration of the enterprise scheme or in conformity with the financial recommendation of the Accounts and

Finance Bureau;

9. Field inspection of telecommunication facilities operating in the telecommunication system;
10. Commercial test of new technical system for telecommunications, and apparatus and materials, with the cooperation of the Electrical Communications Laboratory;
11. Inspection of apparatus, articles and materials purchased either at the place of manufacture or upon receipt at the place of delivery, or at any other place to assure compliance with specifications and contract requirements;
12. Initiation of necessary action such as coordination, engineering, planning and contract for the joint use of facilities, including pole lines, conduits, wire circuits, radio circuits, and similar equipments with governmental agencies, private individuals, or corporations and similar bodies owing and operating them;
13. Establishment of engineering, installation and maintenance standards for privately-owned facilities, having direct or indirect physical connection with the telecommunication system;
14. Designing of whole or part of domestic or international telecommunication facilities used in police, navigation aids, meteorological, coastal, governmental services, in case it is entrusted to the Ministry;
15. Establishment of engineering conditions, practices or procedures related to the privately-owned wire facilities (including carrier equipment) and supervision of these equipments. Provided that concurrence of the Radio Regulatory Agency shall be obtained concerning the radio frequency equipments;
16. Representation at international commissions, federations, conferences and other similar assemblies related to the telecommunication technics; provided that matters under the jurisdiction of the Radio Regulatory Agency and those of the Aeronautical Aids Agency shall be excluded;
17. Preparation of agreements with foreign governments, foreign agencies and carriers, concerning the construction and maintenance of international telecommunication facilities;
18. Purchase or construction, repair and custody of vessels and other water-borne crafts necessary for the construction and maintenance of telecommunication facilities;



19. Besides those listed above, matters related to the standards, construction plans, summarisation of materials, and plant engineering for telecommunication facilities prescribed by laws and regulations as to be involved in the powers of the Ministry.

(Business of Construction and Installation Bureau)

Article 17. The Construction and Installation Bureau shall take charge of the following businesses:

1. Preparation, construction and installation of facilities to be provided in accordance with the programs mentioned in Item 1 of Article 16, and execution of replacement works required by the Plant Engineering Bureau. (except for installation performed in accordance with Item 3 of Article 18);
2. Construction, and installation of telecommunication facilities furnished for the exclusive use of governmental or private agencies;
3. Receipt and storage of apparatus, articles and materials to be used in carrying out installation and construction works in accordance with the above two items;
4. Conclusion of contracts related to the construction of telecommunication facilities; surveillance of construction works by contract, and inspection and receipt of completed work;
5. Construction of whole or part of domestic or international telecommunication facilities used in police, navigation aids, meteorological, coastal, governmental services; in case it is entrusted to the Ministry;
6. Besides those listed above, matters related to the construction of telecommunication facilities prescribed by laws and regulations as to be involved in the powers and responsibility of the Ministry.

(Business of the maintenance Engineering Bureau)

Article 18. The Maintenance Engineering Bureau shall take charge of the following business:

1. Preparation of drafts for the requirements for the replacement and for the long-term and annual plans for maintenance works of telecommunication facilities and presentation thereof to the Plant Engineering Bureau;
2. Maintenance, replacement (excluding those in charge of the plant Engineering Bureau and the Construction and Installation Bureau), arrangement and repair of

telecommunication facilities in accordance with the programs mentioned in Item 1, Article 16;

3. Installation of telecommunication facilities if it is more economical and effective than to be conducted by the Construction and Installation Bureau; connection of Privately-owned facilities into the telecommunication system;
4. Maintenance of telecommunication facilities furnished for the exclusive use of governmental or private agencies;
5. Maintenance of whole or part of domestic or international telecommunication equipments used in police, navigation aids, meteorological, coastal, governmental services, in case it is entrusted to the Ministry;
6. In accordance with the principle established by the Advertising, Public Relations and Commercial Engineering Bureau, execution of public relations programs related to the businesses in charge;
7. Besides those listed above, matters related to the maintenance of telecommunication facilities prescribed by laws and regulations as involved in the powers of the Ministry.

(Business of the Supply Bureau)

Article 19. The Supply Bureau shall take charge of the following businesses:

1. Summarization of demand and supply plans and allocation of apparatus, articles and materials required by sub-divisions concerned and individuals, corporations and similar bodies;
2. Purchase, lease, repairing, remodeling, receipt, storage and delivery of apparatus, articles and materials required by respective sub-divisions;
3. Establishment, abolition and maintenance warehouses;
4. Disposal of apparatus, articles and materials no longer required as the result of consultation with sub-division concerned;
5. Investigation and device for the improvement of stationeries;
6. Besides those listed above, matters related to apparatus, articles and materials necessary for the reconstruction and maintenance of telecommunication facilities and for the operation of telecommunication service, prescribed by laws and regulations as involved in the powers of the Ministry.

(Business of the Building and Repairs Division)

Article 20. The Building and Repairs Division



shall take charge of the following businesses:

1. Designing and execution of construction and repairing works of lands, buildings, structures and appurtenances thereto (to be referred to as real estates hereinafter) required by respective sub-divisions;
2. When requested by sub-divisions purchase, lease of real estates, exchange and acceptance of donation of real estates; exchange and disposal thereof through the Accounts and Finance Bureau;
3. Conclusion of contracts related to the real estates; surveillance of construction works by contract, and inspection and receipt of completed works;
4. Besides those listed above, matters related to the real estates necessary for providing telecommunication facilities prescribed by laws and regulations as to be involved in the powers of the Ministry.

(Business of the Director's Chamber)

Article 21. The Director's Chamber for the Business Operation Department shall take charge of the following businesses concerning matters put under jurisdiction of the Department; the Director's Chamber for the Plant Department shall do the same concerning matters put under the jurisdiction of the Department:

1. Confidential matters;
2. In compliance with the request of respective sub-divisions, establishment and execution of plans for personnel training;
3. Summarization of advices and data prepared by respective sub-divisions relating to compensation, status, etc. of personnel and presentation thereof to the Personnel Bureau;
4. Authorized number of personnel;
5. Summarization of plans for the requirements and procurement of personnel prepared by respective sub-division and presentation thereof to the Personnel Bureau;
6. Preparation of draft of plans for the requirements of sub-divisions for providing welfare facilities such as houses and dormitories for use of personnel and presentation thereof to the Personnel Bureau;
7. Summarization, analysis, and filing of statistics and other data accumulated by respective sub-divisions;
8. Summarization of requirements related to apparatus, articles and materials necessary for the operation of the businesses of the Business Operation Department and presentation thereof to the Supply Bureau;
9. Preparation of drafts for and enforcement of laws and orders, rules and

regulations related to the businesses in charge of the Chamber;

10. Establishment of standards, practice and procedures for the services in charge of the Chamber;
11. In relation to businesses in charge of the Chamber, to make field inspection in services or facilities for the proper administration thereof;
12. In relation to businesses not in charge of any other sub-divisions, preparation of budgetary estimates and execution of established execution budget;
13. Preparation of requirements for apparatus, articles and materials necessary for the execution of businesses in charge of the Chamber.

(Business of the Personnel Bureau)

Article 22. The Personnel Bureau shall take charge of the following businesses:

1. Performance of following businesses related to the personnel of the Ministry:
  - a. Position classification, appointment and dismissal,
  - b. Service conditions such as compensation and duty hours,
  - c. Regulation of duty, status and disciplinary punishment,
  - d. Consideration of work performance and individual service records,
  - e. Preparation and storage of individual personal records,
  - f. Compensation for injury and disease incurred in line of duty; official pension,
  - g. Negotiation and dealing with the trade union, organizations or groups of personnel and other matters related thereto,
  - h. To take necessary action for the complaints of personnel.
2. Summarization of plans for requirements and procurement of personnel;
3. Authorized number of personnel;
4. Welfare and sanitation for the personnel and establishment, maintenance and abolition of facilities necessary thereto;
5. Establishment, maintenance and abolition of housed and living quarters for use of the personnel;
6. Establishment, maintenance and abolition of training facilities in accordance with the request of respective sub-divisions;
7. Enforcement of laws and regulations relating to the Ministry of Telecommunications Mutual Aids Association;
8. Training of personnel of the Bureau;



9. In case the budget is established, the drafting, in accordance with the policy determined by the superior, of the execution plan for the established budget classified for the fiscal year and for the quarter periods and presentation thereof to the Accounts and Finance Bureau;
  10. The drafting of the adjustment plan for the execution project for the established budget in accordance with the alternation of the enterprise scheme or in conformity with the financial recommendations of the Accounts and Finance Bureau and presentation thereof to the Accounts and Finance Bureau;
  11. Necessary recommendations to respective sub-divisions relating to the training of personnel;
  12. Investigation and statistics related to the position classification, efficiency and service conditions, etc. of personnel;
  13. Besides those listed above, matters related to the personnel prescribed by laws and regulations as to be involved in the powers of the Ministry.
- (Business of the Accounts and Finance Bureau)
- Article 23. The Accounts and Finance Bureau shall take charge of the following businesses as far as they are concerned to the Telecommunications Special Account:
1. Summarization of drafts for budgets prepared by respective sub-divisions, and presentation of advice to the Director-General with its own opinion;
  2. Summarization of the draft of the execution plan for the established budget prepared by the sub-divisions and presentation of advice to the Director-General with its own opinion;
  3. In case the draft of the execution plan mentioned in Item 2 above is decided, the notification thereof to the sub-divisions concerned;
  4. Surveillance of the completion of established execution budgets;
  5. Investigation of financial, monetary and economical conditions and after reviewing their influence on the service, to make necessary recommendations to other sub-divisions relating to the completion of execution budgets;
  6. Settlement of all Accounts;
  7. Determination, receipt and payment of incomes and expenditures;
  8. Classification of incomes, expences, assets and liabilities per service;
  9. Study of accounts system;
  10. Preparation and enforcement of laws and regulations and procedures related to

- accounts and finance;
11. Ledgers of the Ministry;
  12. Control, administration and raising of funds;
  13. Establishment of procedures relating to contracts;
  14. Summarization of plans for contract of sub-divisions concerned;
  15. Establishment of disbursement plan and notification thereof to sub-divisions concerned;
  16. Receipt and payment of military notes;
  17. Auditing personnel charged with the conclusion of contracts, determination of revenue and expenditure administration of properties such as funds and articles; the verification of entries in ledgers and subsidiary books of the Ministry;
  18. Recognition of cheques and treasury money order;
  19. Establishment of basic plan relating to statistics related to the businesses of the Ministry and preparation of accounts and financial statistics;
  20. Cost accounting of telecommunication enterprise, study for rationalization of tariffs;
  21. Records of fixed assets; administration of national properties and leased real estates;
  22. Training of personnel of the Bureau;
  23. Besides those listed above, matters related to finance, accounts and statistics prescribed by laws and regulations as involved in the powers of the Ministry.
- (Business of the Electrical Communications Laboratory)
- Article 24. The Electrical Communications Laboratory shall take charge of the following businesses:
- (Systems Development Division)
1. Development (including the improvement requiring study; the same through this article) and field trial in telecommunication technical systems. (including equipment; the same through this article);
  2. Preparation of drafts for engineering practices necessary for the establishment, operation and maintenance of telecommunication technical systems newly devised or improved in accordance with Item 1 above and presentation thereof to the Plant Engineering Bureau;
  3. Preparation of drafts for specifications for telecommunication technical systems and presentation thereof to the Plant Engineering Bureau;



4. Preparation of drafts for engineering practice and inspecting instructions necessary for the inspection of telecommunication technical systems used in respective sub-divisions of the Plant Department and presentation thereof to the Plant Engineering Bureau; development of test devices;
5. To give technical advices and necessary data to manufacturers concerning telecommunication technical systems;
6. In accordance with Item 18 of Article 5, to entrust a part of development study to some research agencies outside the Ministry;
7. Performance of development in telecommunication system offered in accordance with the provisions of Item 18 of Article 5;

(Equipment Parts Development Division)

8. Performance of businesses corresponding to those mentioned in Items 1 to 7 inclusive for telecommunications equipment parts;

(Research Division)

9. Research in the field of telecommunications and associated science related to the development businesses conducted in the System Development Division and equipment and Parts Division and for future development in telecommunication technics;
10. In accordance with the provision of Item 18 of Article 5, to entrust a part of research mentioned in Item 9 to some researches agencies outside the Ministry and performance of research entrusted;

(Patents and Publications Division)

11. Acquisition, execution or investigation, of patent rights and utility model rights necessary for the telecommunication activities;
12. Library, publications and publicity necessary for the operation of the Laboratory;

(Model Shop Division)

13. Provision of model shop facilities; conduct of model making work necessary for the development and research;

(Administration Division)

14. Confidential matters related to the business of the Laboratory;
15. In case the budget is established, the drafting, in accordance with the policy determined by the superior, of the execution plan of the Laboratory for the established budget classified for the fiscal year and for the quaterly periods and presentation thereof to the Accounts and Finance Bureau;

16. The drafting of adjustment plan for the established budget in accordance with the alteration of the enterprise scheme or in conformity with the recommendation by the Accounts and Finance Bureau relative to the financial affairs and presentation thereof to the Accounts and Finance Bureau;

17. Purchase, receipt, delivery and storage of apparatus, articles and materials exclusively necessary for the performance of the business of the Laboratory, except when these purchase can be effectively performed by the Supply Bureau;

18. Preparation of plans for the construction and repair of lands, buildings and appurtenances thereto under the control of the Laboratory and presentation thereof to the Plant Engineering Bureau;

19. Establishment, maintenance and abolition of research facilities exclusively necessary for the investigation or research and development in telecommunication technics;

20. Representation at international commissions, federations, conferences and similar assemblies related to the investigation and research and development of telecommunication technics, except in those matters under the jurisdiction of the Radio Regulatory Agency and the Aeronautical Aids Agency;

21. Besides those listed above, matters related to the investigation, research and development in telecommunication technics prescribed by laws and regulations as involved in the powers of the Ministry.

(Common Businesses of Sub-divisions)

Article 25. Besides those mentioned in Article 11-20, Article 22, 23 and 24, businesses listed below shall be taken in charge of the bureau, divisions and the Laboratory mentioned in 1 Article 7 as far as they are concerned to their business in charge:

1. Preparation of drafts for and enforcement of laws and orders, rules and regulations;
2. Preparation of requirements relating to budgets and the completion of approved projects;
3. To accumulate and analyse statistics and data;
4. Recommendations for the compensation and status of personnel;
5. Preparation of plans for the requirements and procurement of personnel;
6. Authorized number of personnel;
7. Disposal of businesses related to the



supervision and direction of personnel;

8. Preparation of plans for the training of personnel;
9. Preparation of plans for the requirements for providing welfare facilities such as houses and dormitories for use of personnel;
10. Preparation of plans for supply of equipments, articles and materials;
11. Establishment of standards, standard practices and procedures for conducting businesses;
12. Field-inspection of facilities and services necessary to assure the proper administration of business.

## Section 2. Local Organizations

### (Local Organizations)

Article 26. The Ministry of Telecommunication shall, in accordance with the provision of Article 21 of the National Government Organization Law, have the following local organizations:

1. Local Telecommunications Bureau;
  2. Local Telecommunications Division;
  3. Local Telecommunications District;
  4. Local Telephone or Telegraph Office.
- 2 The Local Telecommunication Bureau shall take charge of a part of the businesses of sub-divisions mentioned in 1, Article 7 (excepting the Electrical Communications Laboratory); Local Telecommunication Division shall take charge of a part of the businesses of Local Telecommunications Bureau; Local Telecommunications District shall take charge of a part of the businesses of Local Telecommunications Division; Local Telephone or Telegraph Office shall take charge of a part of the businesses of Local Telecommunications District.
- 3 Local Organizations shall, excepting Local Telephone or Telegraph Offices, have a chief respectively. The chiefs shall, by order of their superiors, respectively preside over the business of their offices, and direct and supervise the personnel therein.

Article 27. Local Telecommunications Bureaus shall be set up in Tokyo Metropolis, Nagano City, Nagoya City, Kanazawa City, Osaka City, Hiroshima City, Matsuyama City, Kumamoto City, Sendai City and Sapporo City.

- 2 Title, jurisdiction, business and detail of organization of the Local Telecommunications Bureau shall be specified by Cabinet Order.
- 3 The Minister of Telecommunications may, if necessary, establish branch offices to take charge of a part of the businesses of local organizations.

4. Titles, locations, jurisdictions, businesses and detail of organization of local organizations other than the Local Telecommunications Bureau and branch offices mentioned in 3 shall be determined by the Minister of Telecommunications.

Article 28. As a rule, sub-divisions of local organizations shall correspond to sub-divisions listed in 1, Article 7.

## Chapter III. Independent Organizations (Establishment)

Article 29. Independent Organizations of the Ministry of Telecommunications established in accordance with the provisions of Article 3 of the National Government Organization Law, shall be as follows:

Radio Regulatory Agency.  
Aeronautical Aids Agency.

### Section 1. Radio Regulatory Agency

#### (Duty and Head of Radio Regulatory Agency)

Article 30. The duty of the Radio Regulatory Agency (RRA) is to insure that the radio spectrum is employed expressly for the public interest, convenience or necessity in a fair and efficient manner in compliance with international and regional radio conventions, regulations and agreements, and in accordance with laws and orders.

- 2 The head of the Radio Regulatory Agency shall be called the Radio Regulatory Commissioner.

Article 31. The Radio Regulatory Agency shall have the Radio Commissioner's Secretariat and four Divisions as follows:

Legal and Economic Division  
Operational Division  
Engineering Division  
Monitoring Division

#### (Business of the Commissioner's Secretariat)

Article 32. The Commissioner's Secretariat shall take charge of the following businesses so far as they are concerned to the businesses of the Radio Regulatory Agency:

1. Confidential matters;
2. Determination and custody of the official seals;
3. Filing and storage of official documents;
4. Coordination business divisions;
5. To summarise, and present to the Commissioner, the opinion of Legal and Economical Division and that of the Operational Division relating to the licensing (including construction permit for radio frequency equipment), rejection or renewal of licence, use of radio telegraph or radio telephone facilities for the public correspondence, preparation of license or other certificates in concurrence



with the decision of the commissioner ;

6. Establishment of Sections ;
7. Administrative inspection ;
8. Procedures for official announcement and information ;
9. To summarise, analyse and store statistics and other data accumulated by the Divisions ;
10. Preparation and execution of plans for training of personnel ;
11. To dispose of matters relating to the compensation and status of personnel such as appointment, removal, service condition, duty regulation, work performance and personal record ; negotiation and dealing with groups of personnel and take necessary action for the complaints established by personnel ;
12. Welfare and sanitation, houses and living quarters for the personnel ;
13. Summarization of budgets and execution plan for established budget ; enforcement and surveillance of completion of established projects ;
14. Disposal of business in compliance with such laws and regulations providing for financial and accounting methods and the investigation and determination of revenue and disbursement ;
15. Preparation of demand and supply plans for equipments, apparatus, articles and materials and allocation, purchase, receipt, storage and delivery thereof ;
16. Supply and administration of lands, buildings, structures and water-borne crafts ;
17. Administration of national properties ;
18. Such matters not coming under the jurisdiction of any other sub-divisions.

(Business of the Legal and Economic Division)

Article 33. The Legal and Economic Division shall take charge of the following businesses :

1. International and regional conventions, regulations and agreements related to the regulation of radio wave such as, but not be limited to, technical standards, operation and equipment standards, qualification of radio operators, operational procedures, frequency allocation, radio frequency facilities and circuit licensing and call sign assignment. However, this does not include the preparation of such standards, qualification and operational procedures which are prepared by sub-divisions mentioned in 1, Article 7 and which are within the regulating standard prescribed under the above ;

2. Contact with the International Telecommunication Union ; representation at international commissions, federations, conferences and similar assemblies relating to radio ;
3. Preparation of drafts for international and regional conventions, national regulations and agreements ; laws and orders related to radio, in the limits mentioned in Item 1 ;
4. Matters relating to the qualification and licence of persons to be engaged in the service operation and technical operation of radio frequency equipment ;
5. Analysing legal, economic and social aspects of all matters pertaining to licensing of radio frequency facilities (including construction permit) and inspection of licensed radio facilities ;
6. Analysing legal, economic and social aspects of matters relating to offering privately-owned radio telegraph or radio telephone facilities for use of the public correspondence, in compliance with Article 6 of the Wireless Telegraph Law ;
7. Besides those listed above, all legal actions relating to the control and regulation of radio wave.

(Business of the Operational Division)

Article 34. The Operational Division shall take charge of the following businesses :

1. Analysing technical and operational aspects of all matters pertaining to licensing (including construction permit) radio frequency facilities ;
2. Classification of radio frequency facilities and determination of the Service thereof ;
3. Designation of conditions for operating radio frequency facilities such as type of emission, frequency, call sign and working hour ;
4. In compliance with international and regional conventions, regulations and agreements, notification to or contact with the International Frequency Registration Board concerning the licensing or abolition or radio frequency facilities ;
5. Regulation and supervision of radio frequency facilities ;
6. Analysing technical and operational aspects of matters relating to offering privately-owned radio telegraph or radio telephone facilities for use of the public correspondence, in compliance with Article 6 of the Wireless Telegraph Law ;
7. Besides those listed above, technical and operational disposition of businesses relating to the control and regulation of radio wave.



(Business of the Engineering Division)

Article 35. The Engineering Division shall take charge of the following businesses:

1. Such researches and investigation related to the basic study and development of the radio technics and found necessary for the performance of the businesses under jurisdiction of the Agency or to entrust such researches and investigations to research organizations outside the Ministry in accordance with Item 18 of Article 5;
2. Selection of frequency for the assignment prescribed in Item 3 of Article 34;
3. Determination of frequency value; emission of the standard frequency wave, transmission of time signal;
4. Establishment of minimum performance Standard for apparatus used in radio frequency equipment, conduct of certification and field inspection thereof;
5. Forecast in propagation of radio wave and issuance of alarm at the time of derangement of radio wave propagation;
6. Planning, establishment, maintenance and abolition of such facilities as found necessary for the regulation of radio wave such as the control of radio wave, emis-

sion of standard frequency and transmission of time signal.

(Business of the Monitoring Division)

Article 36. The Monitoring Division shall take charge of the following businesses:

1. Planning of facilities necessary for the monitoring and correction of radio waves, establishment, maintenance and abolition thereof;
2. Monitoring and correction of radio wave;
3. Search and inspection of illegal radio wave and unlawful radio frequency facilities;
4. In compliance with international and regional convention, regulations and agreements, contract with international radio wave monitoring organizations concerning the monitoring the correction of radio wave and exchange of data with them;
5. Calibration of radio crystals and frequency measuring instrument.

(Local Radio Branch Offices)

Article 37. Radio Regulatory Offices shall be established as the local branch office of the Radio Regulatory Agency.

2 Titles, locations and jurisdictions of the Radio Regulatory offices shall be as follows:

Title	Location	Jurisdiction
Kanto-Radio Regulatory Office	Tokyo Metropolis	Tokyo Metropolis, Kanagawa, Saitama, Gumma, Chiba, Ibaragi, Tochigi and Yamaguchi Prefectures
Shin-etsu Radio Regulatory Office	Nagano City	Nagano and Niigata Prefectures
Tokai Radio Regulatory Office	Nagoya City	Aichi, Mie, Shizuoka and Gifu Prefectures
Hokuriku Radio Regulatory Office	Kanazawa City	Ishikawa, Fukui and Toyama Prefectures
Kinki Radio Regulatory Office	Osaka City	Osaka, Kyoto, Hyogo, Nara, Shiga and Wakayama Prefectures
Chugoku Radio Regulatory Office	Hiroshima City	Hiroshima, Tottori, Shimane, Okayama and Yamaguchi Prefectures
Shikoku Radio Regulatory Office	Matsuyama City	Ehime, Tokushima, Kagawa and Kochi Prefectures
Kyushu Radio Regulatory Office	Kumamoto City	Kumamoto, Nagasaki, Fukuoka, Oita, Saga, Miyazaki and Kagoshima Prefectures
Tohoku Radio Regulatory Office	Sendai City	Miyagi, Fukushima, Iwata, Aomori, Yamagata and Akita Prefectures
Hokkaido Radio Regulatory Office	Sapporo City	Hokkaido



3 The Radio Regulatory Office shall take charge of a part of the business of the Radio Regulatory Agency, the scope of which shall be specified by Cabinet Order.

4 Sub-divisions of the Local Radio Regulatory office shall be prescribed by the Ministry of Telecommunications Ordinance.

5 Branch offices may be established to take a part of the business of the Local Radio Regulatory Office in such places as deemed necessary by the Minister of Telecommunications.

6 Title, locations jurisdiction, business and detail of organization of the branch office mentioned in 5 shall be determined by the Ministry of Telecommunications ordinance.

(Powers of the Radio Regulatory Agency)

Article 38. The Radio Regulatory Agency shall, in performing businesses under its jurisdiction, exercise powers listed in Item 1 to Item 14 inclusive 18, Item 20 and Item 22 to Item inclusive 33 of Article 5.

2 The Radio Regulatory Commissioner may, with the approval of the Minister of Telecommunications, entrust a part of the business under the jurisdiction of the Radio Regulatory Agency to the sub-divisions mentioned in Article 7, in case such entrusting is deemed more economical.

## Section 2. Aeronautical Aids Agency

(Duty and Head of Aeronautical Aids Agency)

Article 39. The duty of the Aeronautical Aids Agency is to conduct the business related to the aeronautical aids service.

2 The head of the Aeronautical Aids Agency shall be called the Director of Aeronautical Aids Agency.

(Divisions)

Article 40. The Aeronautical Aids Agency shall have divisions as follows:

Administration Division  
Technical Division

(Business of the Administration Division)

Article 41. The Administration Division shall take charge of the following businesses:

1. Confidential matters;
2. Determination and custody of the official seals;
3. Filing and storage of official documents;
4. Coordination between Divisions;
5. Establishment of Section;
6. Administrative inspection;
7. Investigation and statistics (excepting those under the jurisdiction of the Technical Division);
8. Drafting laws and regulations;
9. Preparation and execution of plans for training of personnel;

10. To dispose of matters relating to the compensation and status of personnel such as appointment, removal, service condition, duty regulation, work performance and personnel records; negotiation and dealing with groups of personnel and take necessary action for the compliants established by personnel;

11. Welfare and sanitation, houses and living quarters for the personnel;

12. Disposal of businesses in compliance with such laws and regulations providing for financial and accounting methods, the investigation and determination of revenue and disbursement;

13. Supply of equipments, apparatus, articles and materials;

14. Supply and administration of lands, buildings, structures and water-borne crafts and administration thereof;

15. Administration of national properties;

16. Besides those listed above, matters not in charge of the Technical Division.

(Business of the Technical Division)

Article 42. The Technical Division shall take charge of the following businesses:

1. Construction, maintenance, operation and administration of aeronautical aids facilities;

2. Establishment of plans for construction and maintenance of aeronautical aids facilities;

3. Establishment and enforcement of procedures for the operation of aeronautical aids facilities;

4. Preparation of plans for the requirements for apparatus, articles and materials for the construction and maintenance of the service; receipt, delivery and storage thereof;

5. Preparation of specifications for apparatus, articles and materials mentioned in Item 4 above; designing and surveillance of manufacture thereof;

6. Repairing apparatus and articles mentioned in Item 4 above;

7. Designing and execution, or contract and surveillance of works relating to the construction, maintenance and repair of aeronautical aids facilities;

8. Establishment of technical standards for the construction, maintenance, and operation of aeronautical aids facilities;

9. Investigation, research, experiment and model making for the improvement of aeronautical aids facilities, or to entrust the above to any research organization outside the Agency in accordance with



- Item 18 of Article 5;
10. Representation to international conferences to be held for the cooperation of countries for world-wide aeronautical aids service;
11. Training of the personnel.

(Operational Offices)

Article 43. The Minister of Telecommunications may establish operational offices listed in the first column of the table below, the purpose of the offices shall be as listed in the second column:

Title	Purpose
Safety Office	To construct, operate and maintain aeronautical aids facilities (excepting those in charge of the Aeronautical Radio Range Station)
Aeronautical Radio Range Station	To operate and maintain aeronautical range facilities and aeronautical radio communication facilities

2 Titles, locations and detail of the organization of the Air Safety Office and Aeronautical Radio Range Station shall be determined by the Minister of Telecommunications Ordinance.

3 The Minister of Telecommunications may, if necessary, establish branch offices to take charge of a part of the business of the local organizations mentioned in 1 above of which title, locations and businesses shall be determined by the Minister of Telecommunications.

(Powers of the Aeronautical Aids Agency)

Article 44. The Aeronautical Aids Agency shall, in performing businesses under its jurisdiction, exercise powers listed in Item 1 to Item 14 inclusive, Item 18, Item 20 and Item 33 of Article 5.

Chapter IV. Subsidiary Organizations

(Subsidiary Organizations)

Article 45. Besides those prescribed in Article 51, subsidiary organizations to be set up in the Ministry of Telecommunications shall be as follows:

Advisory Council for the Minister of Telecommunications

Hospitals, Clinics and Sanatoriums

Personnel Training Schools

Radio Observatory Stations

(Advisory Council for the Minister of Telecommunications)

Article 46. The advisory Council shall be an organization to ensure the sound and efficient operation of the businesses mentioned in Article 4.

2 The Council shall investigate and deliberate on matters inquired by the Minister of Telecommunications (those to be inquired to the Radio Correction Committee shall be excluded) related to the business mentioned

in Article 4 and advise the Minister of Telecommunications.

3 The Council may, if necessary, advise the competent ministers concerning important matters related to the business mentioned in Article 4.

4 Organization, business, member and other personnel of the Council shall be prescribed by the Cabinet Order.

(Communication Hospital, etc.)

Article 47. The Communication Hospital, Communication Clinics and Communication Sanatoriums shall be the organization to preserve the health of the personnel of the Ministry, including their dependents.

(Telecommunication Training Schools)

Article 48. Telecommunication Training Schools shall be the organization for the training of the personnel of the Ministry.

(Radio Observatory Stations)

Article 49. Radio Observatory Stations shall be the organization for the observation of the propagation of radio wave in connection with the research and development made by the Laboratory.

(Title, etc.)

Article 50. Titles, locations and the details of organization of the subsidiary organizations mentioned in Article 45 (Advisory Council for the Minister of Telecommunications shall be excepted) shall be prescribed by the Ministry of Telecommunications Ordinance.

(Other Subsidiary Organizations)

Article 51. Organizations listed in the first column of the table below shall be established as the subsidiary organization of the Ministry of Telecommunications; the purpose thereof shall be as stated in the second column:



Title	Purpose
The Ministry of Telecommunications Mutual Aids Association Investigation Committee	In case any dispute arises between the association and its member concerning the collection of dues or the amount of presentation decided by the association, to investigate into the matter and make fair decision as an arbitrator.
Advisory Council for the management of the Ministry of Telecommunications Mutual Aids Association.	To deliberate and investigate into matters relative to the management of the Ministry of Telecommunications Mutual Aids Association
Radio Wave Correction Committee	To deliberate and investigate into matters relating to the radio wave correction technics
Central Emergency Radio Communication Committee	To deliberate and investigate into matters relating to the operation of Emergency Radio Communication
Qualifying Committee for Radio Operators.	To deliberate and investigate into matters relating to qualifying examination for persons to be engaged in the service operation or technical operation of radio frequency facilities

2 Mattets related to the organization, business member and other personnel of the subsidiary organizations listed in 1 shall be specified by cabinet order except otherwise provided by other law (including order authorized by law).

#### Chapter V. Personnel

##### (Personnel)

Article 52. Personnel to serve in the Ministry of Telecommunications shall conform to the National Public Service Law.

##### (Authorized Number of Personnel)

Article 53. Number of personnel authorized for the Ministry shall be stipulated by other law.

#### Chapter VI. Miscellaneous Provisions

##### (Delegation of Power)

Article 54. The Minister of Telecommunications may, by providing in the Instruction for the Performance of Duties, delegate

powers prescribed in this law concerning matters of detail to respective sub-division of the Ministry of Telecommunications, its local organizations and subsidiary organizations; the Radio Regulatory Agency and its local offices, and Aeronautical Aids Agency.

##### (Detail of Organization)

Article 55. Detail of the organization of the Ministry of Telecommunications shall, besides those prescribed in this law, be stipulated by Cabinet Order, or by the Minister of Telecommunications authorized by Cabinet Order.

##### Supplementary Provisions:

The present Law shall come into force as from April 1, 1949.

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