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**EXECUTIVE ORDER**

WHEREAS Section 2 of the act of January 2, 1934, as amended, prescribing  
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By virtue of the authority vested in me by section 9 of title 2 of the  
Canal Zone Code, approved June 19, 1934, Executive Order No. 8234 of September  
5, 1939, prescribing regulations governing the passage and control of vessels  
through the Panama Canal in any war in which the United States is neutral, is  
hereby amended by adding thereto, immediately following paragraph numbered 2  
thereof, a new paragraph numbered 3 reading as follows:

"3. Prohibition of cameras on board vessels: photographing from vessels.  
While on board any vessel to transit through the Panama Canal, no person shall  
(a) have or remain in possession of any camera, or (b) make any photograph,  
sketch, picture, drawing, map, or graphical representation of any of the locks  
of the Panama Canal, or of any portion of any such lock, or of any area within  
or adjacent to any such lock, or of any object or structure within or upon  
any such area, without first obtaining the permission of the Governor of the  
Panama Canal, and promptly submitting the product obtained to the Governor for  
such action as he may deem necessary. The master of every vessel that transits  
the Panama Canal: (a) shall prior to the beginning of each transit cause all  
cameras on board such vessel, or which are brought on board by embarking per-  
sonnel, or otherwise, to be collected and delivered to him, and shall retain  
the said cameras in his possession, in a secure and inaccessible place, until  
the disbanding of the original passengers thereof or until the transit  
through the Canal is completed, and (b) shall during such transit take such  
further action, in cooperation with the Canal authorities, as may be necessary  
to prevent the making by any person on board such vessel, in the waters of the  
Canal Zone, of any photograph, sketch, picture, drawing, map, or graphical  
representation which is forbidden by this paragraph; but these provisions shall  
not apply with respect to any person who has obtained permission as provided  
in this paragraph. Any person who shall violate any provision of this para-  
graph shall be punishable as provided in section 9 of title 2 of the Canal  
Zone Code."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have signed this instrument at the City of Washington,  
District of Columbia, this 25th day of March, 1940.

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

THE WHITE HOUSE, Washington, D. C., March 25, 1940.

(S) *Franklin D. Roosevelt* (See Photo)

(U) **AMENDMENT OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 8234** (See Executive Order No. 8234  
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