



Status of Geospatial Data Licensing in the Philippines

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Legal Basis for the Licensing of Geospatial Data

- **REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8293**, entitled, **“AN ACT PRESCRIBING THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY CODE AND ESTABLISHING THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OFFICE, PROVIDING FOR ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”**
- **REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10327**, entitled, **“AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8293, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES”, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

Legal Basis for the Licensing of Geospatial Data

- **REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10055** entitled, **“AN ACT PROVIDING THE FRAMEWORK AND SUPPORT SYSTEM FOR THE OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT, USE AND COMMERCIALIZATION OF INTEILECTUAL PROPERTY GENERATED FROM RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FUNDED BY GOVERNMENT AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”**
- **REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9184**, entitled, **“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MODERNIZATION, STANDARDIZATION AND REGULATION OF THE PROCUREMENT ACTIVITIES OF THE GOVERNMENT AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”**

Experiences on Geospatial Data Licensing in the Philippines

1. Government Acquisition of Satellite Imagery From Satellite Image Data Provider

- 1st Government Office (Licensee) acquiring the data has higher acquisition cost of satellite imagery (i.e., versus the 2nd Government Office (licensee));
- 2nd Government Office (Licensee) acquiring the same data set has lesser or discounted acquisition cost;
- Does not allow use of satellite data by other government offices (no license), i.e., per terms in the Memorandum of Agreement.

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2. Government allows a foreign distribution entity to distribute data products

- Prior consultation with concern government offices were conducted before a decision was reach to forge an agreement with the foreign distribution entity.
- The government agency signs a Memorandum of Agreement with the foreign entity to distribute digital geospatial data products.
- The government agency receives royalties from the foreign distribution entity



Other policy issuance related to geospatial data licensing, related issues and initial recommendations

- Open Data Policy of the Philippine Government (JOINT MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 2015-01)
- Absence of Open Data Licensing
- Pursue the formulation of a Memorandum Circular for Open Data Licensing with the Intellectual Property Office spearheading.



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