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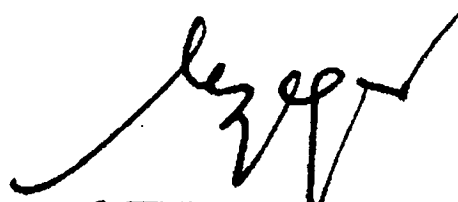
Memorandum to:

Assistant Schools Division Superintendents
Division/District Supervisors
Elementary/Secondary School Principals,
Head Teachers and Teachers In-Charge
(Public and Private Schools)

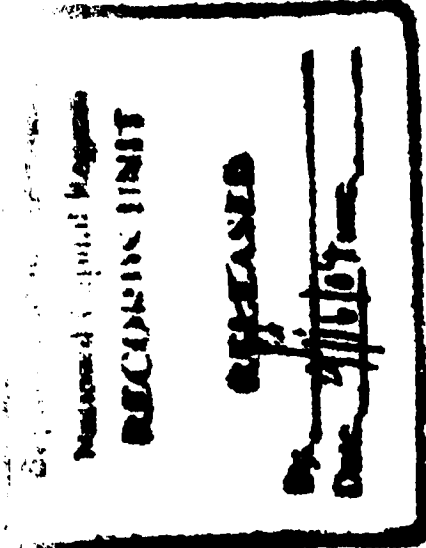
Subject: **11th NATIONAL AND THE 1st SOUTHEAST ASIAN CONFERENCE
ON AUTISM, dubbed as AUTISM BEYOND BORDERS
(Where Hope Prevails)**

For the information and guidance of all concerned, attached is Regional Letter No. 354, dated September 9, 2009, re.: **11th National and the 1st Southeast Asian Conference on Autism, dubbed as "Autism Beyond Borders (Where Hope Prevails)"**, the content of which is self-explanatory.

Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


VICTORIA Q. FUENTES
Schools Division Superintendent

KAGAWARAN NG EDUKASYON
(DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION)
PAMBANSANG PUNONG REHIYON
(NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION)
Daang Misamis, Bago Bantay, Lungsod Quezon
(Misamis St., Bago Bantay, Quezon City)



September 9, 2009

To: City / Schools Division Superintendents
Heads, Private Elementary / Secondary Schools

Dear Sir / Madam:

This has reference to the attached letter of Mr. Ranilo Sorongan, Executive Director, Autism Society of the Philippine 307 ML Bldg. 4.7 Kamias Road, Quezon City, inviting interested teachers from both public and private special schools/centers to the 11th National and the 1st Southeast Asian Conference on Autism, dubbed as "Autism Beyond Borders (Where Hope Prevails)", SMX International Convention Center on Oct. 26 to 27, 2009 at Sky Dome SM City North EDSA at 8:00 am - 5:00 pm.

For more information please contact, Ms. Glenda Picarana at telephone number 9268447/9266941 on visit www.autismbeyondborders.com.

Thank you very much for your continued and valuable support.

Very truly yours,

Teresita G. Domalanta
TERESITA G. DOMALANTA, CESO III
Director IV

Regional Letter No. 354

GBH/Vld

September 9, 2009

DR. TERESITA G. DOMALANTA
Director IV
Department of Education-NCR
Misamis Street, Bago Bantay
Quezon City

Dear Dir. Domalanta:

Worldwide, one in 150 children is now being diagnosed with autism.

In the Philippines, our estimate is at least 600,000 Filipinos are affected. Programs and services are still limited and concentrated in Metro Manila. Families affected suffer social stigma due to lack of proper public education.

Autism Society Philippines is now one of the most active support organizations working with different government units in all levels. Our 6,000 members from 38 chapters around the country work in harmony to create an environment that will allow children with autism to be productive and accepted members of society.



On our 20th year, ASP will hold the 11th National and the 1st Southeast Asian Conference on Autism, dubbed as "AUTISM BEYOND BORDERS (Where Hope Prevails)."

The two-day conference is slated on October 24 to 25, 2009 at SMX International Convention Center. A two-day Post Conference Workshop follows on Oct 26 & 27 at Sky Dome SM City North EDSA.

The conference aims to reach an expected 1,000 parents and professionals from all over the Philippines and around Asia. It will be highly publicized in tri-media and Internet.

It features four foreign main speakers to present both new and time-tested interventions from the United States, Japan and Norway. It also showcases local experiences, including employment of Persons with Autism.

Based on contents of the conference proper and the post conference workshops (please see attached flyer), we are sure that the Department of Education personnel especially those directly working with special education will surely benefit from this conference.

In this regard, we are cordially inviting you and your focal person on disability to attend the said conference. We also request your good office to issue a Memorandum Circular informing all the Local DepEd Offices in your jurisdiction about this conference and enjoining the Head of the Special Education Division to attend.

Should you have any questions, concerns or requirements regarding this conference, please feel free to call me directly or our Conference Coordinator, Ms. Glenda Picarana or visit www.autismbeyondborders.com

Thank you for continuing to share hopes and build dreams for at least half a million Filipinos with autism!

Very truly yours,

Ranilo Sorongan
RANILLO SORONGON
Executive Director

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