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MEMORANDUM

FOR	:	All Undersecretaries, Assistant Secretaries, Bureau Directors, Regional Executive Directors, Regional Directors and Heads of Attached Agencies
FROM	:	The Undersecretary for Management and Technical Services
SUBJECT	:	OP ISSUANCES
DATE	•	FEB 1 8 2004

This is to furnish you with a copy of the following issuances from the Office of the President:

- 1. Proclamation No. 459 dated February 13, 2004 entitled "DECLARING, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2004 AS A SPECIAL NATIONAL HOLIDAY."
- 2. Memorandum Circular No. 56 dated February 11, 2004 entitled "ENJOINING ALL INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY (ICT) PROFESSIONALS, EXECUTIVES, PRACTITIONERS, USERS AND ALLIED PROFESSIONS IN THE ACADEME AND GOVERNMENT SERVICE TO ATTEND THE "SYNCHRONICITY CONFERENCES" TO BE CONDUCTED JOINTLY BY THE PHILIPPINE COMPUTER SOCIETY (PCS) AND THE PHILIPPINE STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES COMPUTER EDUCATION AND SYSTEMS SOCIETY (PSUCCESS)."

For your information.

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MALACAÑANG MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 549

DECLARING WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2004, AS A SPECIAL NATIONAL HOLIDAY

WHEREAS, Wednesday, February 25, 2004, marks the 18th anniversary of the February 22 to 25, 1986 EDSA People Power Revolution;

WHEREAS, the EDSA People Power Revolution restored our democratic institutions and ushered in meaningful political, social and economic reforms in the country;

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the people of the Philippines be given full opportunity to honor the memory of the EDSA People Power Revolution with appropriate ceremonies.

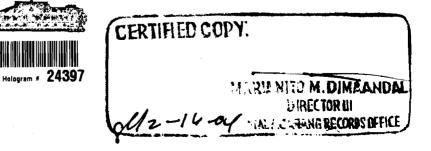
NOW THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Philippines, by virtue of powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare Wednesday, February 25, 2004, as a special national holiday.

DONE in the City of Manila, this **13**⁺/₁ day of February, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.

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ALBERTO G. ROMULO Executive Secretary



MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 56

ENJOINING ALL INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY (ICT) PROFESSIONALS, EXECUTIVES, PRACTITIONERS, USERS AND ALLIED PROFESSIONS IN THE ACADEME AND GOVERNMENT SERVICE TO ATTEND THE "SYNCHRONICITY CONFERENCES" TO BE CONDUCTED JOINTLY BY THE PHILIPPINE COMPUTER SOCIETY (PCS) AND THE PHILIPPINE STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES COMPUTER EDUCATION AND SYSTEMS SOCIETY (PSUCCESS)

WHEREAS, the Philippine Computer Society (PCS), an organization of ICT professionals and executives in the private and government sectors and the Philippine State Universities and Colleges Computer Education and Systems Society (PSUCCESS) are professional organizations which promote and support effective use of ICT in business and governance;

WHEREAS, PCS and PSUCCESS will hold *SynchronicITy Conferences* on February 2004 in Baguio City and on June 2004 in Cebu City, with the theme "*Industry, Government and Academe: Matching Jobs and People*", and

WHEREAS, the conference aims to encourage concerted efforts towards the use of ICT as a tool for Philippine progress; present and discuss (a) the latest ICT development, (b) latest results of ICT research, (c) ICT best practices, (d) latest updates to the computerized New Government Accounting System (NGAS), and (e) various technopreneurial opportunities in ICT.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALBERTO G. ROMULO, Executive Secretary, by order of Her Excellency, **GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO**, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. All heads of government departments, bureaus, offices, agencies, local government units, government-owned and/or controlled corporations and their subsidiaries, government financial institutions, and state universities and colleges are hereby enjoined to:

1.1 Allow their ICT executives, professionals, practitioners, users, educators and allied professions in the government service to participate in the *SynchronicITy Conferences 2004*, provided that their attendance will not prejudice the regular delivery of service of the agency concerned; and

1.2 Consider the conference an official staff development activity of the participants, subject to availability of funds.

SEC. 2. All ICT executives, professionals, practitioners, users, educators and allied professions who will participate in the conference are enjoined to:

- 2.1 Participate actively in the discussion; and
- 2.2 Gain additional knowledge about new technological developments as these pertains to their agency situation and needs.

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 11^{tb} day of February, 2004.

By authority of the President:

ALBERTO G. ROMULO Executive Secretary

By the Executive Secretary:

IOAOUIN C. LAGONERA

Senior Deputy Executive Secretary

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