

MEMORANDUM FROM THE OIC, OFFICE OF THE UNDERSECRETARY

FOR/TO : All Undersecretaries, Assistant Secretaries, Service Directors, Project and Program Directors, and Heads of Office **DENR** Central Office All Regional Executive Directors/Regional Directors, Bureau Directors and Heads of Attached Agencies SUBJECT **Dubai International Award for Best Practices (DIABP)** • DATE • **NFC 0 6 2005**

We are pleased to announce that the Dubai Municipality, United Arab Emirates (UAE) through the Office of Middle East and African Affairs, Department of Foreign Affairs, is inviting the Philippines to participate in the forthcoming Dubai International Award for Best Practices (DIABP), which will be held on the World Habitat Day sometime in October 2006.

The Award was established in 1995 under the patronage of His Highness Sheikh Maktoum Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai, purposely for the following: 1) recognize outstanding achievements in improving the quality of life in urban and rural settlements; and 2) highlight the unique and sustainable best practices intended to improve living conditions in urban and rural areas in different parts of the world. The total amount of the Award for 2006 is US\$480,000.00.

In this regard, please identify any of your Office's outstanding and sustainable achievements in improving the living environment that will meet the basic criteria established by the Second United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat) and the Dubai Declaration.

The Submission Guide and Reporting Format for the Year 2006, which provides detailed information on how to submit a Best Practice for the Dubai International Award for Best Practices to Improve the Living Environment is available from:

http://www.bestpractices.org/bp2006

The application form and further information can be downloaded from website:

http://dubai-award.dm.gov.ae.org

Submitted Best Practices before 31st January 2006 will receive a feedback on its status. The deadline for submission is March 31, 2006. Please furnish this Office through the Human Resource Development Service (HRDS) a copy of your submitted best practices and updates on developments.

For your information and appropriate action.

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