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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CULTURE AND SPORTS  
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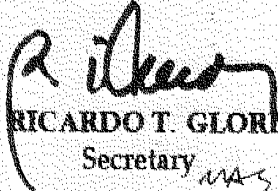
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**ORGANIZING GIRL SCOUT TROOPS IN SCHOOLS**

TO : Bureau/Cultural Agency Directors  
Regional Directors  
Schools Superintendents  
Presidents, State Colleges and Universities  
Heads of Private Elementary and Secondary Schools  
Vocational School Superintendents/Administrators

1. The Girl Scouts of the Philippines (GSP), now in its 57th year of existence, has prepared millions of girls and young women to become responsible citizens of the home, the nation and the world community, thru its various programs and activities.
2. To achieve the GSP's vision of the Filipino girl and young woman who are progressive, dynamic, pro-active, forward-looking and God-loving, the organization has designed a program called the Eight Point Challenge. This embodies meaningful, responsive, relevant, contemporary and time-tested activities that would adequately prepare the Filipino Girl of today to face and cope with the changing times.
3. The GSP meets the challenges and needs of its present membership, namely:
  - Twinklers for 4 to 6 year-old girls or those in pre-school;
  - Stars for 7 to 9 year-old girls or those in Grades I - III;
  - Juniors for 10 to 12 year-old girls or those in Grades IV - VI;
  - Seniors for 13 to 15 year-old girls or those in High School;
  - Cadets for 16 to 21 year-old young women or those in College.
4. To ensure the promotion of membership in all levels and the implementation of the Girl Scouting program, local school officials are enjoined to visit all schools, assist in and monitor the organization of girl scout troops where there are none, and help strengthen them where there are already existing ones. Institutions on the other hand, are advised to include in their monthly/quarterly reports the evaluation of their performance.

5. Immediate and extensive dissemination of this Memorandum is hereby enjoined.

  
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Secretary

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