

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CULTURE AND SPORTS

Margico Avenue, Posig City

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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DECS MEMORANDUM No. 54, s. 1997

PROVISION OF WHEELCHAIRS FOR PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED CHILDREN

To: Bureau Directors Regional Directors

Schools Superintendents

Heads of Private Schools, Colleges and Universities

- 1. The Wheelchair and Disabled Association of the Philippines, Inc. (WDAP) in cooperation with the Department of Education, Culture and Sports (DECS), Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA) and the National Council for the Welfare of the Disabled Persons (NCWDP) is undertaking a project called "Operation Wheelchair" to drum-up public support and sympathy for the physically handicapped school-age children who need wheelchair especially those in the rural areas of the country.
- 2. This project aims to provide every physically handicapped child with a wheelchair in order to have access to education and develop appropriate skills that will enable him/her to become economically productive and socially integrated individual.
- 3. The project was formally launched during the celebration of the International. Day of the Disabled last December 3, 1996. Part of the formal launching was the initial distribution of wheelchairs to identified beneficiaries from Regions I, III and IV.
- 4. School administrators are requested to list down children who need wheelchairs. These beneficiaries might be inschool, out-of-school or in hospitals undergoing treatment. Inclosed is a personal data form to be accomplished by each beneficiary. These forms should be submitted to the respective division and regional office which will in turn be submitted to:

The Special Education Division Bureau of Elementary Education DECS, UL Complex, Meralco Avenue Pasig City

5. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum to all concerned is desired.

ICARDO T. GIORIA Secretary

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Incl.:

As stated

Reference:

None

Allotment: 1-2-4--(M.O. 1-87)

To be indicated in the <u>Perpetual Index</u> under the following subjects:

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PERSONAL DATA

NAME:	AGE:
DATE OF BIRTH:	SEX:
HEIGHT:	WEIGHT:
ADDRESS:	
SCHOOL:	
GRADE LEVEL:	
PARENTS/GUARDIAN:	
ECONOMIC STATUS OF THE FAMILY:	
FULL PICTURE:	