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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CULTURE AND SPORTS  
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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY


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DECS MEMORANDUM  
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FIRST NATIONAL CONGRESS ON MONTESSORI EDUCATION

To: Bureau Directors  
Regional Directors  
Schools Superintendents  
Presidents, State Colleges and Universities  
Heads of Private Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. The First National Congress on Montessori Education sponsored by the Maria Montessori Children's School Foundation, Inc. will be held on March 6-8 at the Westin Philippine Plaza Hotel.
2. The Congress aims to generate greater awareness and understanding of the Montessori philosophy of education among parents, educators, administrators of pre-elementary and elementary schools, teacher-training centers and educational associations.
3. A registration fee of five thousand five hundred pesos (P5,500.00) will be charged for the 3-day Congress which includes conference kit and meals. For a one-day registration, a fee of three thousand five hundred pesos (P3,500.00) will be charged to include materials, lunch and snacks.
4. Inclosed for the information and guidance of all concerned is the program of activities.
5. For further information, inquiries may be directed to Tinette Capistrano, Primetrade Asia, Inc. at telephone no. 832-0309 locals 7775/7570.
6. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
RICARDO T. GLORIA  
Secretary

Incl.: As stated  
Reference: None  
Allotment: 1-2-3-4--(M.O. 1-87)  
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index  
under the following subjects:

CONFERENCES

SCHOOLS

THE 1<sup>ST</sup> NATIONAL CONGRESS ON MONTESSORI EDUCATION  
 March 6 - 8, 1997 The Westin Philippine Plaza Hotel

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

<u>Thursday, March 6, 1997</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Resource Person</u>
7:30 AM - 9:30 AM	Registration	
9:30 AM - 10:00 AM	Welcome Remarks	
10:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Opening Remarks	
10:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Keynote Address	
11:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Opening of Exhibits	
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM	Lunch Break	
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Plenary Session I DEVELOPING THE MONTESSORI CONTINUUM: EDUCATION BIRTH TO ADULTHOOD	
3:00 PM - 3:30 PM	Coffee Break	
3:30 PM - 5:00 PM	Continuation of Plenary Session I	
<u>Friday, March 7, 1997</u>		
	Break-out Sessions	
	Participants should choose one age group for both sessions: either primary (0-6 years old) or elementary (6-12 years old).	
8:30 AM - 10:00 AM	Session 1: A DISCUSSION OF THE PSYCHOLOGICAL CHARACTERISTICS AND NEEDS OF THE PRIMARY AND ELEMENTARY CHILD	C. Fernando K. Baker
10:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Coffee Break	
10:30 AM - 12:00 NN	Session 2: A DISCUSSION OF THE PREPARED ENVIRONMENT AND ROLE OF THE ADULT AT THE PRIMARY AND ELEMENTARY LEVELS	C. Fernando K. Baker
12:00 NN - 1:30 PM	Lunch Break	

Break-out Sessions

Participants should choose one session per time slot. The same two topics will be discussed at both sessions.

1:30 PM - 5:00 PM

Session 3: ERDKINDER: AN  
American Experience

D. Kahn

Session 4: GROWING SCHOOLS  
FOR HUMAN GROWTH: EFFECTIVE  
MONTESSORI ADMINISTRATION

S. Dubble

3:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Coffee Break

Saturday, March 8, 1997

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

Plenary Session II  
BUILDING THE HOME-SCHOOL  
PARTNERSHIP

C. Fernando  
K. Baker  
D. Kahn  
S. Dubble

10:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Coffee Break

10:30 AM - 12:00 NN

Break-out Sessions  
Participants should choose one topic.

Session 5: THE DEVELOPMENT OF  
THE TEACHER: NEW VISION  
REQUIRES NEW ROLES

K. Baker

Session 6: MONTESSORI  
EDUCATION: ACKNOWLEDGING  
DIFFERENT ABILITIES

C. Fernando

12:00 NN - 1:30 PM

Lunch Break

1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

Break-out Sessions  
Participants should choose one topic.

Session 7: SPACE DESIGNS FOR  
MONTESSORI SCHOOLS: THE  
IMPORTANCE OF THE INDOOR/OUTDOOR  
CONNECTIONS

D. Kahn

SESSION 8: EVALUATION IN A  
MONTESSORI SCHOOL

S. Dubble

3:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Coffee Break

3:30 PM - 5:00 PM

Plenary Session III  
A facilitated question and answer  
period. Participants will also be  
asked to evaluate the Congress,  
suggest topics they would want  
covered at future events