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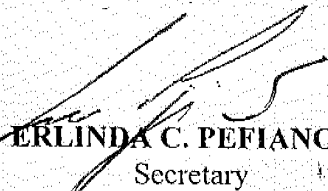
DECS MEMORANDUM

No. 161, s. 1998

LIST OF PROGRAMS RECOMMENDED FOR CHILDREN'S VIEWING

To: Regional Directors
Schools Superintendents

1. The Council for the Welfare of Children (CWC) commissioned the Philippine Children's Television Foundation to conduct a Monitoring Study of Children's Television Programs in the Philippines.
2. The study aimed to monitor and evaluate television programs watched by Filipino children as well as commercials or advertisements aired during hours considered to be children's viewing time.
3. The major output of this study is a list of television shows recommended for children's viewing submitted to the Council for the Welfare of Children (CWC) and its participating agencies, especially the Department of Education, Culture and Sports (DECS), Department of Health (DOH), Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD). The study was divided into two components:
 - Component 1: Focused on the rating of television shows by a panel of experts.
 - Component 2: Focused on the qualitative data gathered from scheduled group discussion with children.
4. Based on the results of this monitoring, inclosed are programs suitable to specific age-groups and recommended for children's viewing.
5. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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Secretary

Incl.:

As stated

Reference:

None

Allotment: 1--(D.O. 50-97)

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the following subjects:

LISTS

Inclosure No. 1

I. Programs Recommended For Children's Viewing

- Sesame Street
- Batibot
- 5 & Up

II. Programs Suitable for Specific Age-Groups

Age- Group	Program	Recommendation
2 - 6 years old	Batibot	Program suitable for specified age-group
	Beethoven Sesame Street	-do- -do-
	Disney Adventures	Program suitable for age-group. Requires parental guidance
	Gumby Adventures	-do-
6 - 9 years old	5 & Up	Program suitable for specified age-group
	Batibot Hirayamanawari Sesame Street	-do- -do-
	Beethoven Disney Adventures Gumby Adventures	Program suitable for age-group. Requires parental guidance -do-
	Pink Panther Sine'skwela	-do- -do-
		-do-
9-12 years old	5 & Up	Program suitable for specified age-group
	AJ's Time Traveler	-do-
	Disney Adventures	-do-
	Hirayamanawari	-do-

Age-Group	Program	Recommendation
	Bayani	Program suitable for age-group.
	Pink Panther	Requires parental guidance
	Sine'skwela	-do-
		-do-
12 - 18 yrs. old	AJ's Time Traveler	Program suitable for specified age-group
	Pink Panther	-do-
	Thank God It's Sabado	Parental guidance for 16 and below

Note:

Parental/Teacher guidance/supervision is required for some episodes for the following reasons:

- Some episodes tend to present too much information and the dialogue in some scenes may be difficult for children to follow.
- Parent or teachers need to be around to provide further explanation since some parts are fast paced for the primary group age.
- Younger children may need some explanation to appreciate all details to follow punchlines.

The recommended programs do not contain gratuitous scenes of sex and violence.