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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CULTURE AND SPORTS
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**INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CRITICAL THINKING
AND EDUCATION REFORM**

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
School Superintendents
Heads of Private Elementary
And Secondary Schools

1. An International Conference on Critical Thinking and Educational Reform will be held at the Grand Astoria Hotel, Zamboanga City on September 23-26, 1998.
2. The theme of the Conference is "Infusing Critical and Creative Thinking in Classroom Instruction: Kindergarten through Graduate School." Papers on the following four sub-themes have been invited for presentation at the Conference: Strategies, Methods and Processes; Teaching across the Curriculum; Programs for School Administrators and Teachers; and, the Thinking Classroom.
3. The objectives of the International Conference are to :
 - a. Provide a forum to discuss issues of critical and creative thinking skills
 - b. Disseminate knowledge and share experiences in teaching critical and creative thinking skills
 - c. Encourage communication and collaboration on creativity and critical thinking activities
 - d. Foster collaborative efforts in research in the areas of creative and critical thinking
4. The Conference brings together experts, lead discussants, educators and practitioners to discuss bio-electronic learning, thinking schools-students- classrooms, multiple intelligence, learning and teaching styles, conceptualization of creativity, and brain research focused on cognitive thinking and memory

functioning. Lead discussants include academics from the US, Malaysia, Singapore, Australia, Cambodia, Tasmania, Iran and the Philippines.

5. Regional Directors should send two (2) suitable supervisors (elementary and high school) to spearhead the dissemination of critical thinking skills in their respective regions, whose names should be sent to the Secretary. This will be used as a reference to call on for future work in this field.

6. A registration fee of P4,000.00 will be charged each participant to cover airport-hotel Conference venue transfers, attendance at all sessions, coffee breaks, lunches, dinners, specified social events, Conference materials and admission to an exhibit.

7. Registration fees and other expenses incidental to the attendance at the International Conference may be charged against local funds, subject to availability and the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations. Participants from private schools may make the necessary arrangements with their respective institutions.

8. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is expected.

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Secretary

Reference:

N o n e

Allotment: 1—(D.O. 50-97)

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