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**SUCCESSFUL CONDUCT OF AUSSIE SPORT WORKSHOP
FOR PHYSICAL EDUCATION TEACHERS**

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Superintendents

1. "All the Best From Australia" is a festival of culture in sports, technology, and business in the Philippines. It is the Australian contribution to the Philippine Centennial celebration and its way of sharing the best of their capabilities in different fields.
2. One of the thirty (30) activities/events lined-up for the occasion was the "Aussie Sport Workshop for P.E. Teachers" which was a big success. It was held at Teachers Camp, Baguio City last November 10-13, 1998. The participants, workshop officers, and BPSS-DECS management rated the event excellent.
3. The Australian workshop officers shared to the Filipino P.E. teachers the successful Aussie P.E. model they developed in a span of 15 years with the following highlights:
 - a. A conceptual framework that the teaching of Physical Education is fun, allows for mass participation and always provides for skills development;
 - b. The methods and strategies of teaching P.E. activities are action-based. Thus, instructions are short, clear and simple. Physical Education leadership discourages dictatorial authoritative leadership i.e. use of the whistle;
 - c. The sports equipment brought by the Australians were neon colored and soft with primary considerations on the safety of pupils. Sports equipment used in the teaching of Grades I and II consisted of empty plastic bottles, old newspapers, blankets and other used materials;
 - d. The teachers' manuals which they likewise provided covered a wide range of activities. It is simple and attractive, yet effective. Lesson plans were very short with no objectives; and

- c. Three demonstration classes participated in by a total of 140 pupils from Mabini Elementary School and SPED Center of Baguio City proved the effectiveness of the methods of strategies of the Aussie sport model.
4. In view of the positive results of the Aussie Sport Model, all workshop participants are encouraged to translate the Aussie P.E. model on a pilot basis in their respective schools from December 1998 to March 1999.
5. DECS sends its commendation to the Government of Australia Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Australian Sports Commission, Philippine Sports Commission, Baguio City SPED Center, Mabini Elementary School, DECS-CAR Teachers Camp, and BPESS staff for a job well done.
6. Immediate dissemination of the contents of this Memorandum to all concerned is desired.

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