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*Sama Sama  
sa DECS*

*panatilihan ng Kalihim  
of the Secretary*

May 19, 1999

DECS MEMORANDUM  
No. 210 s. 1999

1999 REPUBLIC OF KOREA (ROK) AND PHILIPPINES (RP)  
ESSAY COMPETITION

1. To Bureau Directors  
Regional Directors  
Schools Superintendents  
Private Secondary School Principals  
Chairman, CHED

1. In order to involve the Filipino youth in strengthening the cultural understanding, international goodwill and brotherhood among Filipinos and the Koreans, the Korean Embassy, the Department of Education, Culture and Sports and Manila Bulletin are jointly sponsoring the 1999 Republic of Korea and the Philippines Essay Competition.

2. The theme of the contest is "Strengthening ROK-RP Relations through Tourism and Cultural Activities." The contest is open to students currently enrolled in public or private secondary and tertiary institutions. The student will choose only one topic.

3. The competition aims to develop a deeper appreciation and understanding of Korea, its culture and people among our school youth and instill a sense of responsibility and concern for our foreign neighbors.

4. Mailed entries should be postmarked not later than October 31, 1999 and received not later than November 7 at the National Secretariat. Selection and announcement of winners will follow immediately. Awarding ceremonies will be on November 18, 1999.

5. An executive committee composed of the following is formed to ensure the smooth and successful implementation of this project:

Chairman	<i>Victor Andres C. Manhit</i> Undersecretary, DECS
Co-Chairman	<i>Mr. Jin Soo Nam</i> Cultural and Information Officer, Korean Embassy
Members	<i>Mr. Ernesto Castro</i> Director, Asia Pacific Region, DFA <i>Dr. Kate Botengan</i> Commissioner, CHED <i>Dr. Alberto Mendoza</i> Director, DFCS BSI <i>Salvacion U. Ballestamon</i> Chief, DECS MPPD

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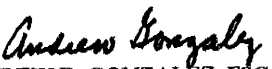
6 The contest is sponsored by Korea Overseas Culture and Information Service and Korean Airlines. Inclosed are the contest rules, criteria for judging, application form and other information regarding the contest.

7 Entries may be mailed or handcarried to

1999 ROK RP Essay Competition  
National Secretariat  
Technical Service  
Department of Education, Culture and Sports  
Meralco Avenue Pasig City, Philippines

8 Winners of the secondary and college categories will receive the same set of awards and prizes.

9 Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
ANDREW B. GONZALEZ, FSC  
Secretary

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Reference

DEC S Memorandum No 195, s 1998

Allotment 1—(D O 50 97)

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index  
under the following subjects

CONTESTS  
STUDENTS

## MECHANICS OF ESSAY WRITING COMPETITION

THEME "STRENGTHENING ROK RP RELATIONS THROUGH TOURISM AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Who may join? All bonafide Filipino students enrolled in a public and private secondary or tertiary institution

Contest Level National

### HOW TO JOIN

- 1 The essay must be submitted in a short bond paper, handwritten or typewritten double-spaced Length should be 500 700 words for the high school level and 1,200 words for the college level
- 2 The essay must contain the student's name signature and accompanied by an entry form which may be secured from his/her teacher or principal Students can also type out their own entry forms using the prescribed format or make xerox copies of entry forms available at the schools Only one entry is allowed per student
- 3 Family members, friends and advisers should not write the essay They may only provide advice and encouragement Any proven fraudulent work will be automatically disqualified and will bar the student from participating in the future contests the organizers will hold
- 4 Mailed entries should be postmarked not later than October 31 1999 and must be received at the 1999 ROK RP Essay Competition National Secretariat not later than November 7, 1999
- 5 All entries shall become the property of ROK RP Essay Competition National Secretariat

### JUDGING

#### Criteria

1 Content	40%
2 Style	25%
3 Organization Development of Ideas	35%
Total	100%

- 1 The Board of Judges is composed of leaders in the government academe mass media and business sectors
- 2 Proof of authenticity of work may be required during the judging
- 3 The Board of Judges shall select the three best entries from among all those submitted nationwide and declare them as first, second and third place winners in the national category Meanwhile, the three best entries of each region shall be declared winners on the regional level
- 4 The decision of the Board of Judges is final and unappealable

## AWARDING

### *Awards and Prizes*

#### College level

First Prize	One week tour of Korea and a trophy
Second Prize	A 19 inch TV with VCR and a trophy
Third Prize	A 19 inch TV and a trophy

#### High School Level

First Prize	One week tour of Korea and a trophy
Second Prize	A 19 inch TV with VCR and a trophy
Third Prize	A 19 inch TV and a trophy

- 1 Winners will be notified by mail. Awarding for the national winners will be done in Metro Manila on November 18, 1999.
- 2 First prize winners for the high school and college categories will be invited to a one week tour of Korea.
- 3 For more information, please call the Secretariat, DECS Technical Service at tel no 636 48 78, fax no 633-72 94.

## FIFTH ANNUAL ESSAY CONTEST

THEME        STRENGTHENING ROK RP RELATIONS THROUGH TOURISM  
AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

The Korean Embassy, the Department of Education, Culture and Sports and Manila Bulletin announce the Fifth Annual Essay Contest on Korea for high school and college students. The contest aims to encourage every Filipino student and teacher to learn more about Korea, its culture, people and its international relations with the Philippines. Students are allowed to send in only one entry.

### Contest Guidelines and Rules

- 1 Contestants must be currently enrolled in any public or private secondary or tertiary school, college or university
- 2 Mailed entries should be postmarked not later than October 31, 1999 and must be received at the ROK RP Essay Competition National Secretariat not later than November 7
- 3 Winners will be notified by mail. Awarding for the national winners will be done in Metro Manila on November 18, 1999
- 4 For more information please call the Secretariat DECS, Technical Service at tel no 636 48 78, fax no 633 72 94