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**BIOLOGY TEACHERS ASSOCIATION (BIOTA) OF THE PHILIPPINES  
35<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL NATIONAL CONVENTION AND SEMINAR WORKSHOP**

To Bureau Directors  
Regional Directors  
Schools Superintendents  
Chairman CHED

1 The Biology Teachers Association of the Philippines, (BIOTA Phils), in cooperation with the University of San Agustin and the Department of Education Culture and Sports, will hold its 35<sup>th</sup> National BIOTA Convention and Seminar Workshop on April 6-8, 2000 at the University of San Agustin in Iloilo City, Iloilo

2 The theme of this year's congress/seminar workshop is "Biology Education in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Enhancing Teaching Competencies Towards Critical Thinking" The major activities consist of plenary sessions, scientific session, demonstrations, hands on activities, poster exhibits/discussions, film showing, and field trip. These activities are designed to


- a stress the role of biology teachers in promoting appreciation, knowledge and skill in the use of information and communications technologies as vital tools in biology education,
- b identify practical ways and strategies by which current approaches and technologies can be integrated in science teaching and in the biology curriculum, and
- c provide a venue for teachers to share their knowledge, research work and other creative activities, experiences and teaching innovations that may help improve biology education in the country

3 Participants are biology teachers in the elementary, high school and college levels of both public and private institutions. Participants from the public schools will be allowed to attend on official time only. Those from the private sectors will have to make arrangements with their respective schools.

4 The registration fee of One Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (P1 500 00) that will cover the cost of convention materials and meals Nine Hundred Pesos (P900 00) for the 3 day accommodation, and One Hundred Pesos (P100 00) for the field trip shall be borne by the participants

5 For further details and reservations, please write to Dr Antonio R. Recodo, BIOFA Convention Chairman, Department of Biological Sciences University of San Agustin, 5000 Iloilo City e mail address [drrecodo@iiloilo.net](mailto:drrecodo@iiloilo.net) or Dr Catherine Genevieve B Lagunzad President BIOFA Phils Biology Department, Ateneo de Manila University, Loyola Heights, Quezon City, 1108 Philippines, e mail address [cathy@pusit.admu.edu.ph](mailto:cathy@pusit.admu.edu.ph)

6 Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired

  
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Secretary

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