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Tanggapang ng Kalihim
Office of the Secretary

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DECS MEMORANDUM
No. 319, s. 2000

RESTRICTING GROUP TRAVELS DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Bureau Directors
Directors of Services/Centers and Heads of Units
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents

1. In a Memorandum of the Office of the President dated July 27, 1998 which this Office disseminated under DECS Memorandum No. 327, s. 1998, all heads of departments, agencies and bureaus in the national government were enjoined to refrain from issuing travel authorities or endorsing to the Office of the President foreign travel proposals for their respective officials and employees, except those that are clearly essential to Philippine commitments to the international field and those that arise from contractual obligations as well as trainings, workshops, seminars, fellowships or scholarships of career officials that are funded by grants.
2. Such travels are intended to contribute to the accumulation of knowledge about educational systems and developments which can be applied to our own educational system without adversely affecting teaching and other services.
3. In view hereof, this Office hereby reminds all DECS field officials to refrain from undertaking travel abroad in groups, whether on official business or on official time only, during the school year. Such travel should instead be undertaken during the long summer vacation. Moreover, key officials of DECS regional and division offices should not be undertaking foreign travel at the same time.
4. Wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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Secretary

Reference:
DECS Memorandum (No. 327, s. 1998)

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