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**ASEAN Quiz Project in the Philippines**

To: **Regional Directors**  
**Schools Division Superintendents**  
**School Principals**

1. The Office of the Press Secretary, in coordination with the Department of Education (DepEd) and the Department of Foreign Affairs, shall conduct the ASEAN Quiz Project in the Philippines from March to June 2002.
2. The ASEAN Quiz is a project of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations – Committee on Culture and Information (ASEAN-COCI). It was identified as a potential and effective vehicle for creating awareness on ASEAN among the youth in a friendly quiz game that exposes them to ASEAN cultural, political, economic and social information.
3. The ASEAN Quiz in the Philippines is in its pilot year and will serve as a preliminary activity to the regional ASEAN Quiz to be held in Bangkok, Thailand on August 4, 2002. The national winners of this contest will therefore represent the Philippines in Bangkok.
4. The DepEd Regional Offices are enjoined to determine their regional participants (two third year high school students – one each from the public and private schools) based on the ASEAN Quiz Mechanics (see attached) to represent the region and compete in the national quiz competition to be held in Manila on a date to be announced.
5. The ASEAN Quiz Project (Philippines) shall shoulder the round trip travel expenses and hotel accommodations of the regional representatives to the national competition in Manila. For further inquiries please contact Dir. June P. Verzosa, Project Manager at telephone number 733-8679 or Ms. Cecile N. Javillonar, AQPOC Secretariat Head at telephone number 733-3640.
6. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is required.

  
**FE A. HIDALGO**  
Undersecretary

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Reference:

None

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To be indicated in the Perpetual Index  
under the following subjects:

CONTESTS  
STUDENTS

## **THE ASEAN QUIZ**

### **Mechanics and Implementing Guidelines**

#### INTRODUCTION

The ASEAN Quiz, an Association of Southeast Asian Nations-Committee on Culture and Information (ASEAN-COCI) project, shall be a competition on knowledge of ASEAN participated in by top students of private and public high schools from all over the country. It aims to elicit the spirit of healthy competition among ASEAN youth in a friendly quiz game that exposes them to ASEAN cultural, political, economic and social information.

The ASEAN Quiz was identified as potential effective vehicle for creating awareness in ASEAN among the youth because of its popular appeal, educational and entertainment quality and potential for extensive media coverage. It shall be given optimum media exposure through the ASEAN-COCI media network and communication organizations of member-countries.

The ASEAN Quiz shall be undertaken on the national (Philippines) and regional (ASEAN) levels. The ASEAN regional competition will be held in Bangkok, Thailand on 4 August 2002.

The National Winning Team (composed of 2 students) will be selected nationwide through a process of elimination from March to June 2002. A coach and an alternate team member will accompany the team to Bangkok.

The national competition shall be implemented by the Office of the Press Secretary (OPS) and its attached bureaus in partnership with the Department of Education (DepEd), Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA) and other corporate sponsors. These agencies form the ASEAN Quiz Project Organizing Committee (AQPOC) Philippines.

#### I. PARTICIPANTS

The ASEAN Quiz in the Philippines is open to all third year high school students of private and public schools at the time of application. Directors of the sixteen DepEd Regional Offices shall select two top students, one from public and one from private schools, based on qualifications issued by the AQPOC Philippines. These students will then be sent to Manila to compete individually in the national competitions.

## II. MECHANICS

- A. The ASEAN Quiz in the Philippines shall be conducted in English.
- B. The ASEAN Quiz in the Philippines shall be undertaken on the regional and national levels.

1. Regional Screening (March – 11 April 2002)

DepEd Regional Directors shall select two (2) third year high school students to represent their region. One student is to come from the public school and the other from the private school. Selection will be based on the following criteria:

- Proficiency in the English language, both oral and written.
- An above average grade in Social Studies in the last two quarters of the School Year 2001-2002.
- Moral and physical fitness.
- Interpersonal skills/a good team player
- Willingness and parental consent to travel to Manila and, if chosen, to Bangkok, Thailand
- Other qualifications/criteria that may be imposed by AQPOC Philippines

The DepEd Regional Director shall submit the names accompanied by completed student information sheets to AQPOC Philippines on or before 12 April 2002.

Upon final screening, AQPOC Philippines will officially inform the DepEd Regional Directors of the acceptance of their representatives on or before 19 April 2002. AQPOC Philippines shall provide a timetable and checklist of what to bring to the national competition in Metro Manila.

A representative from the PIA Regional Office shall be designated to chaperone the students to and from Manila.

2. National Competition (24 – 28 June 2002)

The contestants from each region will compete individually in the national competition in Metro Manila on 24 – 28 June 2002, the exact date of which will be announced later.

Three students with the highest scores shall be declared as the first, second and third prize winners accordingly. The first and second place winners shall

compose the team that shall represent the Philippines in the ASEAN Quiz in Bangkok, Thailand on 4 August 2002. The third place winner shall be the alternate team member. A coach shall be named by AQPOC Philippines to accompany the students to Bangkok.

C. Competition Procedure.

There will be two rounds in the national quiz in the Philippines: a Preliminary Round and the Final Round. The Final Round will be further composed of three rounds:

- First round will be questions answerable with true or false.
- Second round will be questions with multiple-choice answers.
- Third round will be open-ended question/s.

III. RULES

A. *Who are allowed to participate?*

Third year high school students, who possess the criteria mentioned in II B and with the endorsement of the DepEd Regional Directors, are allowed to participate.

Relatives, up to the second degree of consanguinity, of ASEAN Philippines staff and members of the AQPOC Philippines and all agencies involved in the project shall not be eligible to participate in the quiz.

B. *Who will develop the test questions?*

A Committee composed of representatives from DFA-ASEAN, DFA-Foreign Service Institute, OPS/PIA and a DepEd Social Studies teacher shall draw the test questions.

C. *What will be the bases of the test questions?*

Test questions shall cover ASEAN cultural, political, economic and social fields and the ten ASEAN member countries.

Suggested reference materials include, among others, the primer on ASEAN, official ASEAN publications and available websites. Participants may use any other reference materials.

D. *Who will compose the Board of Judges?*

The Board of Judges shall be composed of five (5) members representing the OPS, ASEAN Philippines, DepEd, an academic institution and a partner institution of the project.

Official tabulators shall be named by AQPOC Philippines.

E. *Who decides in case of protest?*

The Board of Judges shall decide in cases of protest. The judges' decision shall be final.

IV. PRIZES

The top two individual place finishers will comprise the National Team that will represent the Philippines in Bangkok. The third prize winner is the alternate team member.

First Prize : P20,000 cash plus medal for student & trophy for school  
Second Prize : P15,000 cash plus medal for student & trophy for school  
Third Prize : P10,000 cash plus medal for student & trophy for school

Non-winning regional contestants shall be given medals.

V. IMPLEMENTING GUIDELINES

1. Organizational Set-Up

The Office of the Press Secretary and its respective bureaus shall be the lead agency in implementing the ASEAN Quiz Philippines in cooperation with the DepEd, DFA, and participating sponsors.

An ASEAN Quiz Project Organizing Committee (AQPOC) Philippines, chaired by OPS and with members from the DFA, DepEd, Philippine Information Agency (PIA), Bureau of Broadcast Services (BBS), National Broadcasting Network (NBN), Bureau of Communication Services (BCS), News and Information Bureau (NIB) shall serve as the planning body of the project for the Philippines with the following terms of reference:

- a. Publicity and Promotion of the Quiz
- b. Preparation of the Quiz Mechanics/Procedures
- c. Preparation of Primer
- d. Coordination with Collaborating Agencies
- e. Development of Test Materials
- f. Selection of the Board of Judges in the National Quiz
- g. Coordination with ASEAN-COCI Secretariat and the ASEAN Quiz implementing country
- h. Solicitation of prizes and other financial requirements
- i. Screening of participants

- j. Conduct of the ASEAN Quiz national competition in the Philippines
- k. Preparation of Project and Financial Reports

2. Procedure

- a. The DepEd shall issue a Memorandum to its Regional Offices directing them to select and submit the names of two students based on the criteria given. Students shall fill up the student information sheet which will be submitted to AQPOC Philippines.
- b. Based on the completed student information sheets, AQPOC Philippines shall decide on the eligibility of the regional representatives and formally inform them of their participation in the national competition.
- c. Copies of primers on ASEAN shall be coursed through the PIA and DepEd Regional Directors who shall take charge of distributing these to the chosen students and to schools within the region for effective utilization. The primers and other materials on ASEAN shall be made available on the website for easy access by all concerned.
- d. The ASEAN Quiz Project shall cover the travel cost and accommodations of the regional contestants to the national competition in Metro Manila. Participation costs of the National Team and the coach in the ASEAN regional competition in Bangkok shall be borne by the ASEAN Cultural Fund.
- e. The National Team and the alternate shall be asked to attend a briefing and coaching in Manila to prepare the members for the ASEAN regional competition in Bangkok. Travel costs and accommodations for this activity will be borne by the ASEAN Quiz Project.
- f. Information on the ASEAN Quiz shall be given maximum media publicity through NBN, BBS, NIB and PIA media outlets. The national competition and related events shall be covered live by either TV or radio or both for maximum impact.

3. Timetable

Activities	Schedule
a. Pre-selection and Identification of Regional Representatives by DepEd Regional Directors	March – 11 April

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| b. Deadline of submission of names of Regional Representatives to the AQPOC Philippines | 12 April                                     |
| c. Deadline of acceptance of regional representatives                                   | 19 April                                     |
| d. National competition   | 24 – 28 June<br>(exact date to be announced) |
| e. ASEAN regional competition   | 4 August                                     |



ANNEX I

ASEAN QUIZ PROJECT, Philippines

STUDENT INFORMATION SHEET

ATTACH RECENT  
2 X 2 PHOTO

REGION

[Empty box for Region]

NAME

(LAST)

(FIRST)

(MIDDLE)

HOME ADDRESS

TEL/FAX/CELL NO.

E-MAIL ADDRESS

BIRTHDATE

BIRTHPLACE

GENDER

RELIGION

SCHOOL

SCHOOL CATEGORY

PUBLIC

PRIVATE

SCHOOL ADDRESS

TEL/FAX NUMBER

E-MAIL ADDRESS

I certify to the best of my knowledge and ability that the foregoing information are true and correct:

DATE

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE

CERTIFICATION BY THE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_ is a Third Year High School student for SY 2001-2002 in \_\_\_\_\_. He/she has earned a grade of \_\_\_\_ in Social Studies for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr. and a grade of \_\_\_\_ in the 4<sup>th</sup> Qtr., Social Studies; is of good moral character and is physically and mentally fit.

DATE

SIGNATURE OVER PRINTED NAME  
DESIGNATION

ENDORSEMENT BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION REGIONAL DIRECTOR

This is to endorse \_\_\_\_\_ as the official contestant of Region \_\_\_\_ to the ASEAN Quiz Project (Philippines).

DATE

SIGNATURE OVER PRINTED NAME  
DESIGNATION

PARENTAL CONSENT

We hereby allow our child \_\_\_\_\_ to travel to Manila from June 24 to 28, 2002 and participate in the National Finals of the ASEAN Quiz Project.

We recognize the benefits our child will gain and we will not hold the Contest Organizers liable for any untoward incident that may happen during our child's travel to and from Manila.

PARENT/S or GUARDIAN  
SIGNATURE OVER PRINTED NAME