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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES RESOLUTION NO. 178 "A RESOLUTION URGING HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES OF THE GOVERNMENT TO ORGANIZE SEMINARS AND CONVENTIONS IN A MANNER THAT WOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE GEOGRAPHIC DISTANCE OF THE COUNTRY'S THREE ISLAND GROUPS

To: Bureau Directors
Directors of Services, Centers and Heads of Units
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
All Others Concerned

1. Enclosed is a copy of House of Representatives Resolution No. 178 entitled "A Resolution Urging Heads of Departments and Agencies of the Government to Organize Seminars and Conventions in a Manner that would Take into Account the Geographic Distance of the Country's Three Island Groups to Encourage More Participation and Avoid Unnecessary Travel and Accommodation Expenses", for comments and recommendation of all concerned.
2. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


EDILBERTO C. DE JESUS
Secretary

Rhea/Sheila, MPPD, HR Resolution No. 178
02-24-03

Encl.: As stated
Reference: None
Allotment: 1—(D.O. 50-97)
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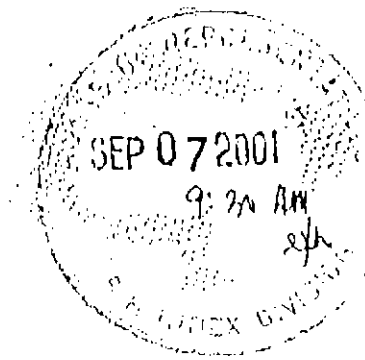
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Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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House Resolution No. 178



Introduced by: **HON. J. MAYO Z. ALMARIO**

RESOLUTION
URGING HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES
OF THE GOVERNMENT TO ORGANIZE SEMINARS AND
CONVENTIONS IN A MANNER THAT WOULD TAKE INTO
ACCOUNT THE GEOGRAPHIC DISTANCE OF THE COUNTRY'S
THREE ISLAND GROUPS TO ENCOURAGE MORE PARTICIPATION
AND AVOID UNNECESSARY TRAVEL AND ACCOMODATION EXPENSES

WHEREAS, from time to time different departments and agencies of the National Government such as but not limited to the Department of Education, Culture and Sports, Department of Health, Department of Trade and Industry, Department of Agriculture, Land Transportation Office, Bureau of Lands, conduct training seminars, conventions, workshops, meetings, and other similar gatherings for its employees and personnel throughout the country;

WHEREAS, in most cases said training seminars or conventions are held in just one venue for all participants throughout the country without regard for the distance that participants from as far as the Visayas and Mindanao have to travel to come to Manila or Luzon to be able to attend, or *vice versa*, the distance that participants from Luzon and the Visayas have to travel, in case the venue be in Mindanao;

WHEREAS, existing set up results in unnecessary travel and accommodation expenses on the part of the government and of the participants themselves not to mention a waste of precious man-hours which could very well be devoted to more productive works;

WHEREAS, this similar situation can well be avoided by recognizing the geographic distance between the three island groups of the country, namely Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao, and that each has its own respective urban centers where said training seminars or conventions may be held;

WHEREAS, organizing and conducting separate seminars and conventions in each of the three island groups' respective cities or urban centers - thereby bringing


lecturers, trainers and more importantly the venue closer to the intended participants and delegates instead of the opposite - will encourage more participation and be more cost effective and efficient as against rigidly adhering to the existing practice of conducting the same in just one venue for all participants throughout the country irrespective of distance;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the House of Representative to urge Heads of the different departments and agencies of the Government to take into account the geographic distance between the three island groups of Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao in organizing training seminars, conventions, workshops, meetings and similar other gatherings, and as far as practicable to organize the same in each of the island groups' respective urban centers such as Manila City for Luzon, Cebu City for the Visayas and Davao City for Mindanao and similar other cities;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That a copies of this Resolution be furnished to Heads of the different departments and agencies of the Government so that they may be guided accordingly.

RESOLVED FINALLY, That a copy of this Resolution be furnished to Her Excellency, President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo with the prayer that she will issue the corresponding and appropriate administrative order to effect the spirit of this Resolution in consonance with the call for a more frugal spending by the Administration.

Adopted, August 27, 2001.



J. MAYO Z. ALMARIO