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SCHOOL-BASED TENNIS PROGRAM

To:

Bureau Directors

Regional Directors

Schools Division/City Superintendents

Heads, Public Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. The Department of Education (DepEd), the Philippine Tennis Association(PHILTA), and the Futures Tennis Scholarship Foundation (Futures) have entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to jointly adopt, support, undertake and implement a nationwide school-based tennis program that will promote grassroots development of the sports, and advance the selection, training and formation of world-class tennis players at the junior levels.

The PHILTA and Futures shall:

- a. Make available the use of the School Tennis Initiative and Performance Tennis Initiative programs developed by the International Tennis Federation (ITF) as models for the Physical Education (PE), mini-tennis and varsity development aspects of the tennis program;
- b. Design and handle the training of school teachers and tennis professionals;
- c. Organize and support mini-tennis, inter-school and local-based tournaments;
- d. Train players identified by DepEd for competition;
- e. Adopt a player-coach referral system;
- f. Formulate a support and subsidy mechanism for competitive players originating from the tennis program; and
- g. Seek funding, equipment and technical assistance from the ITF.

The DepEd shall:

- a. Adopt a special tennis program (PE, mini-tennis and varsity development) at the elementary and secondary levels:
- b. Authorize interested schools to adopt tennis as a sport in PE;
- c. Assist in the identification of young tennis players with the potential to excel;
- d. Disseminate information about the tennis program and this Memorandum to all schools; and
- e. Create a database of schools, players, teachers, coaches, local governments, clubs, companies involved or participating in the program.

- 4. For more information, please write Col. Salvador Andrada, National President, PHILTA, Rizal Memorial Tennis Center, RMSC, Manila and Atty. Alberto Agra, President, FUTURE, Unit 2206 Medical Plaza-Ortigas Building, San-Miguel Avenue, Pasig City.
- 5. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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EDILBERTO C. DE JESUS Secretary

Reference:

None

Allotment: 1--(D.O. 50-97)

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