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DISSEMINATION OF COMELEC RESOLUTION NO. 7707
(Calendar of Activities and Periods of Prohibited Acts in Connection
with the May 14, 2007 Synchronized National and Local Elections)

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Bureau Directors
Directors of Services/Centers and Heads of Units
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
District Supervisors
Heads, Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. For the information and guidance of all concerned, enclosed is a copy of Commission on Elections (COMELEC) Resolution No. 7707 dated August 30, 2006 entitled "Calendar of Activities and Periods of Prohibited Acts in Connection with the May 14, 2007 Synchronized National and Local Elections".

2. In this connection, attention is invited to certain personnel actions which are prohibited during the specified period:

January 14, 2007 to June 13, 2007

Transfer of officers and employees in the civil service


March 30, 2007 to May 14, 2007

Appointment or hiring of new employees

Creation or filling up of new positions

Promotion or giving of salary increases, remuneration or privilege

3. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


FRANKLIN C. SUNGA
Undersecretary

Encl.: As stated

Reference: None

Allotment: 1—(D.O. 50-97)

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

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RESOLUTION No. 7707
CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES AND PERIODS
OF PROHIBITED ACTS IN CONNECTION
WITH THE MAY 14, 2007 SYNCHRONIZED
NATIONAL AND LOCAL ELECTIONS

Promulgated: 30 August 2006

Pursuant to the powers vested in it by the Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines, the Omnibus Election Code (B.P. Blg. 881), Republic Act No. 6646, 7166, 8189, 8436, 9189 and other election laws, the Commission on Elections RESOLVED to prescribe as it hereby prescribes the following Calendar of Activities and Periods of Prohibited Acts in connection with the May 14, 2007 synchronized national and local elections:

DATE/PERIOD	ACTIVITIES	PROHIBITED ACTS
July 26, 2006 (WED) to August 12, 2007 (SUN) (Comelec Resolution No. 7686 dated July 17, 2006)		Prohibition on the transfer, promotion, extension, recall of any member of the foreign service corps, including members of the attached agencies, or the movement of any such member from his current post or position
September 30, 2006 (SAT)	Last day to file application for registration / certification as overseas absentee voter and application to vote in absentia (Section 4, Comelec Resolution No. 7447 dated 18 March 2005).	
	Last day for filing of application for transfer of overseas registration record from one Post to another or from one country to another under the same consular jurisdiction of the Post or from Post to a Philippine city/municipality other than the original residence of the applicant (Sec. 19 (A) (B) and (D), Comelec Resolution No. 7447 dated 18 March 2005).	
September 16, 2006 (SAT)	Last day to file petitions for registration of political parties, parties, coalitions of parties and sectoral groups participating in the	

party-list system of representation

- October 31, 2006 (TUE) Last day to file application for transfer of overseas registration record from Post to the same Philippine city / municipality comprising original residence of applicant (Sec. 19 (C), Comelec Resolution No. 7447 dated 18 March 2005).
- November 21, 2006 (TUE) Last day of hearing of applications for registration/certification as overseas absentee voter (Section 12, Comelec Resolution No. 7447 dated 18 March 2005)
- December 15, 2006 (FRI) Last day to prepare the National Registry of Overseas Absentee Voters (NROAV) (Section 17, Comelec Resolution No. 7447 dated 18 March 2005)
- Not earlier than November 30, 2006 (THU) Party convention to select and nominate official candidates for all positions (Sec. 6, RA 7166 in relation to Sec. 29, RA 6646)
- December 29, 2006 (FRI) Filing of petitions for exclusion of registration record of an overseas absentee voter: a) If approved by the local ERB in connection with the 10 May 2004 Elections, with the proper Municipal or Metropolitan Trial Court; b) If approved by the RERB, with the MTC-Manila
- Last day to file application for reinstatement or correction of name of voters excluded from the NROAV through inadvertence or registered with an erroneous or misspelled name.
- December 31, 2006 (SUN) Last day to file application for registration, transfer of registration records, etc. (Local registry)
- January 12, 2007 (FRI) Last day to hear applications for registration, transfer of registration

records, etc. (Local registry)

Not later than January 14, 2007 (SUN)

Last day to prepare the Certified List of Overseas Absentee Voters (CLOAV) (Sec. 21, Comelec Resolution No. 7447 dated 18 March 2005)

January 14, 2007 (SUN) to June 13, 2007 (WED)

ELECTION PERIOD

Alteration of territory of a precinct or establishment of a new precinct (Sec. 5, RA 8189);

Bearing, carrying or transporting firearms or other deadly weapons in public places, including any building, street, park, private vehicle or public conveyance, even if licensed to possess or carry the same, unless authorized in writing by the Commission (Sec. 261 (p) (q) (s), OEC as amended by Sec. 32, RA 7166).

Suspension of elective local officials (Sec. 261 (x), OEC)

Transfer of officers and employees in the civil service (Sec. 261 (h), OEC)

Organization or maintenance of reaction forces, strike forces or other similar forces (sec. 261 (u), OEC).

Use of security personnel or bodyguards by candidates, whether or not such bodyguards are regular members of the AFP or PNP or other law enforcement agency (Sec. 261 (t), OEC, as amended by Sec. 33, RA 7166).

January 15, 2007 (MON) to February 12, 2007 (MON)

Period to file certificate of candidacy for Senators

Period to file manifestation of intent to participate in the party-list system of representation.

January 15, 2007 (MON)

Period to file certificate of candidacy

to March 29, 2007
(THU)

for local elective positions

January 28, 2007 (SUN)

Last day to file petition for inclusion of qualified voters in the local registry.

February 02, 2007
(SUN)

Last day to file petition for exclusion of qualified voters in the local registry.

February 13, 2007
(TUE)

Posting of the certified list of voters (Local)

February 13, 2007
(TUE) to May 12, 2007
(SAT)

Campaign period for Senators and political parties, organizations or coalitions participating under the party-list system of election (Sec. 5, RA 7166; Sec. 4, RA 7941)

February 13, 2007
(TUE) to May 14, 2007
(MON)

Giving of donations or gift in cash or in kind, etc. (Sec. 104, OEC)

Use of armored land, water or aircraft (Sec. 261 (r), OEC)

Appointment or use of special policemen, special/confidential agents or the like (Sec. 261 (m), OEC)

February 28, 2007
(WED)

Last day to appoint members of the Boards of Election Inspectors, subject to changes on account of lack of public school teachers and disqualifications due to relationships to candidates (Sec. 164, OEC in relation to Sec. 31, RA 8189)

March 15, 2007 (THU)
to March 29, 2007
(THU)

Issuance and sending of notices of inspection and verification of completeness of VRRs for each precinct book of voters (Sec. 31, RA 8189)

March 15, 2007 (THU)
to June 13, 2007 (WED)

Illegal release of prisoners (Sec. 261 (n), OEC)

March 30, 2007 (FRI)

Last day for party-list participants to

	submit names of nominees	
March 30, 2007 (FRI) to April 14, 2007 (SAT)	Inspection, verification and sealing of precinct book of voters. (Sec. 31, RA 8189)	
March 30, 2007 (FRI) to May 12, 2007 (SAT)	Campaign period for candidates for Member, House of Representatives, and elective provincial, city and municipal offices (Sec 5, RA 7166)	
March 30, 2007 (FRI) to May 14, 2007 (MON)		Appointment or hiring of new employees; creation or filling up of new positions; promotion or giving of salary increases, remuneration or privilege (Sec. 261 (g), OEC).
		Construction of public works, delivery of materials for public works and issuance of treasury warrants or similar devices for a future undertaking chargeable against public funds (Sec. 261 (w), OEC).
		Releases, disbursements or expenditures of public funds public works, social services and development (Sec. 261 (v), OEC)
Not later than February 15, 2007 (THU)	Constitution of the members of SBRCGs, SBEIs, and SBOCs.	
April 05, 2007 (THU) and April 06, 2007 (FRI)		Campaigning
April 09, 2007 (MON)	Constitution of Municipal / City/District/Provincial Boards of Canvassers	
April 14, 2007 (SAT)	Last day to furnish every registered voter with a Voter's Information Sheet which contains the voter's name, address, precinct, place where he is registered and simplified instructions as to casting of votes, an official sample ballot and a list of all registered national, provincial and	

city candidates to be voted for in the election (Sec. 1, RA 7904).

April 14, 2007 (SAT)
(Host country time) to
May 14, 2007 (MON)
(Philippine time)

Casting of votes for overseas
absentee voters (On any day starting
on April 14, 2007 to 3:00 p.m. of May
14, 2007 (Philippine time)

May 13, 2007 (SUN)
(EVE OF ELECTION DAY)

Campaigning (Sec. 3, OEC)

Selling, furnishing, offering,
buying, serving or taking
intoxicating liquor (Sec. 261 (dd)
(1), OEC)

Giving, accepting free
transportation, food, drinks and
things of value (Sec. 89, OEC)

May 14, 2007 (MON)
(ELECTION DAY)

Casting of Votes (Local) (7:00 a.m. to
3:00 p.m.)

Campaigning (Sec. 3, OEC)

Selling, furnishing, offering,
buying, serving or taking
intoxicating liquor (Sec. 261 (dd)
(1), OEC)

Giving, accepting free
transportation, food, drinks and
things of value (Sec. 89, OEC)

Soliciting votes or undertaking
any propaganda for or against any
candidate or any political party
within the polling place or within
thirty (30) meters thereof (Sec.
261 (cc), OEC)

Voting more than once or in
substitution of another (Sec. 261
(z) (2) and (3), OEC)

Holding of fairs, cockfights,
boxing, horse races or similar
sports (Sec 261 (dd), OEC)

Opening of booths or stalls for
the sale, etc., of merchandise or
refreshments within a radius of
thirty meters from the polling
place (Sec. 261 (dd), OEC)

Convening of the Municipal / City /
Provincial and District Boards of
Canvassers and Special Boards of
Canvassers (SBOCs) (6:00 p.m.
Philippine time).

May 15, 2007 (TUE) to
June 13, 2007 (WED)

Filing of Sworn Statement of Election
Contributions and Expenditures (Sec.
14, RA 7166)

This Resolution shall take effect seven (7) days after its publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines.

The Education and Information Department shall cause the publication of this Resolution and shall furnish copies thereof to all Regional Election Directors, Provincial Election Supervisors, Election Officers and all Departments, Bureaus, Offices and Agencies deputized by the Commission, including the Department of Foreign Affairs and other government agencies maintaining offices abroad.

(Sgd.) **BENJAMIN S. ABALOS**
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