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DepED MEMORANDUM

No. 397, s. 2007

**DECLARING FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2007 AS A REGULAR HOLIDAY
THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY IN OBSERVANCE OF
EIDL'L FITR (FEAST OF RAMADHAN)**

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Bureau Directors
Directors of Services/Centers and Heads of Units
Regional Directors
Schools Division 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 Proclamation No. 1397 from the Office of the President dated 01 October 2007 entitled "Declaring Friday, October 12, 2007 as a Regular Holiday throughout the Country in Observance of Eidl'l Fitr (Feast of Ramadhan)".
2. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


Atty. FRANKLIN C. SUÑGA
Undersecretary

Encl.: As stated
Reference: DepED Memorandum: No. 370, s. 2007
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(Enclosure to DepED Memorandum No. 397, s. 2007)

MALACAÑANG
Manila

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 1397

DECLARING FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2007 AS A REGULAR HOLIDAY THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY IN OBSERVANCE OF EIDL'L FITR (FEAST OF RAMADHAN)

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9177 declared *Eid'l Fitr* (Feast of Ramadhan) as a regular holiday throughout the country;

WHEREAS, *Eid'l Fitr*, celebrated by the Muslim world for three (3) days after the end of the month of fasting;

WHEREAS, the implementation of RA 9177 shall be under the supervision of the Office on Muslim Affairs (OMA) which shall promulgate rules and regulations pursuant to the provisions of said Act;

WHEREAS, for this year, the month of Ramadhan may culminate either on October 12 or 13, 2007 subject to the sighting of the new moon on October 11, 2007;

WHEREAS, according to OMA, the main date for the celebration of *Eid'l Fitr* this year has been determined to fall on Friday, October 12, 2007;

WHEREAS, in order to bring the religious and cultural significance of the *Eid'l Fitr* to the fore of national consciousness, it is necessary to declare Friday, October 12, 2007 as regular holiday throughout the country;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare Friday, October 12, 2007 as a regular holiday throughout the country.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

Done in the City of Manila, this 1st day of October, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

(Sgd.) **GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **EDUARDO R. ERMITA**
Executive Secretary