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DEPED-PNRC RED CROSS 143 PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

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

- 1. In support to the Memorandum of Agreement signed between the Department of Education (DepED) and the Philippine National Red Cross (PNRC) dated February 14, 2008, the PNRC hosted regional meetings with DepED local officials to introduce Red Cross 143 Program as a partnership activity between these two (2) agencies which aims to educate the communities with humanitarian actions, principles and values.
- 2. Red Cross 143 is a program conceptualized by the Philippine National Red Cross that teaches people to look after and care for their respective communities. It ensures every community in the country to be prepared and responsive in case of emergency. This Office seeks for the support and participation of all concerned to this undertaking.
- 3. This program aims to create a minimum of 44 volunteers in every barangay, 1 Team Leader and 43 members, which shall be trained in: a) disaster preparedness and response; b) health and welfare; and c) voluntary blood donation and advocacy.
- 4. The partnership concept is to appoint every Barangay Elementary School Principal as the Community Team Leader who will create the Red Cross 143 Team in their respective barangay composed of teachers, PTCA officers and community leaders.
- 5. Red Cross 143 Program envisions a network of volunteers in every community nationwide that would provide essential information and be mobilized in the field in times of emergencies or disasters. This program upholds and encourages the spirit of volunteerism in the community, thereby delivering timely, effective and compassionate humanitarian assistance.

- 6. For further information and/or inquiries, please contact Mr. Mark Manansala at tel. nos.: (02) 666-5038; (02) 527-0862 or mobile no.: 0915-3615-883.
- 7. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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Reference:

None

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