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MEC ORDER
No. 28, s. 1979

COURSES IN NON-CHARTERED SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES NOT WITHIN
FUNDING AUTHORITY IN BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 1

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Superintendents
Heads of Non-Chartered Schools
and Colleges

1. Prior to and after the reorganization of the Ministry of Education and Culture, several non-chartered state schools and colleges were issued authority by the Minister of Education and Culture to operate post-secondary technical and/or tertiary level courses and degree programs.

2. Batas Pambansa Blg. 1 otherwise known as General Appropriations Act of 1979, as approved by the President, however, has prescribed the funding authority of each state school and college in relation to the programs they are supposed to implement. For certain non-chartered schools and colleges which were previously authorized by MEC to offer post-secondary technical and/or tertiary level courses, this Act provides funding authority for secondary and vocational education courses only; and some like vocational institutions/schools authorized by their respective law creating or establishing them, and others which were previously authorized by MEC to offer degree programs were given funding authority under the same Act to implement post-secondary higher education courses only.

3. Since the schools affected have been enrolling students and conducting classes in the said courses on the basis of the authority vested in them by their respective legislation creating or establishing them, and/or issued to them by the Minister of Education and Culture, the categorization and funding authority provided in Batas Pambansa Blg. 1 has posed a big problem to all concerned.

4. In the interest of the students affected and to give the schools concerned ample time to make necessary adjustment in their course offerings and to take proper steps to work for adequate budgetary appropriations, and to duly advise the students affected, this Office is hereby issuing the following orders:



- a. Permits issued by the Minister of Education and Culture for the operation of certain specific courses in school year 1978-79 which are now affected adversely by the aforementioned provisions of Batas Pambansa Blg. 1 are hereby extended up to the end of the 1979-80 school year only; Provided, the schools concerned have met the requirements in terms of facilities, faculty, etc. to warrant such extension.
- b. Schools which were authorized by the Minister of Education and Culture either by simple letter or indorsement prior to the issuance of Department Order No. 56, s. 1977 on October 10, 1977 or by Government recognition, to offer courses not within their funding authority in Batas Pambansa Blg. 1 are allowed to continue offering such courses up to the end of the 1979-80 school year only, unless the funding authority of such schools and the extent or programs they are supposed to implement are elevated accordingly in the 1980 General Appropriations Act.

5. Beginning school year 1980-81, all non-chartered state schools and colleges shall limit their operation only to courses which are within their funding authority and within the extent of programs they are supposed to implement, as provided in the 1980 General Appropriations act, or as specifically authorized in the law creating or establishing such institutions.

6. This Order shall take effect immediately and shall be strictly observed by all concerned.

(SGD.) JUAN L. MANUEL
Minister of Education and Culture

References:

Department Orders: Nos. 60, s. 1975 and
(56), s. 1977

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