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FORFEITURE AND/OR TERMINATION OF SCHOLARSHIP/STUDY GRANT

To: Bureau Directors  
Regional Directors  
Schools Superintendents  
Presidents, State Colleges  
and Universities

1. For the past few years, a few million pesos out of appropriations for the state scholarship and study grant programs administered by the National Scholarship Center have been rendered unobligated at the end of every year. This can be attributed to unfilled slots due to some circumstances among which are the following:

- a. Non-acknowledgment for a one-school-year period, whether acceptance, rejection or waiver of the Notice of Award by a number of new awardees despite repeated official advice of their having qualified in the scholarship/study grant competition;
- b. Suspension of scholars'/grantees' stipends and other allowances for one semester due to incomplete grade(s) incurred during the previous term;
- c. Termination of scholarship/study grant due to scholastic deficiency/deficiencies, completion of the course or willful violation of existing policies, rules and regulations;
- d. Pending cases caused by failure of awardees or school to submit required documents;
- e. Abandonment of scholarship/study grant without informing the Center accordingly; and

- f. Deferment of scholarship/study grant due to illness, death of either parents or psychological/emotional problems.

2. In view of the aforementioned reasons, and for purposes of utilizing the funds for the greatest number of indigent but deserving students, the following amended policies are hereby promulgated to take effect the first semester, school year 1980-1981:

- a. All new awardees under the scholarship and study grant programs administered by the National Scholarship Center, this Ministry, shall be allowed only a grace period of four (4) months from the date of mailing of Notice of Award to submit the duly accomplished Acceptance/Rejection/Waiver form for the scholarship/study grant. Failure to do so shall mean forfeiture of the scholarship/study grant award. Accordingly, the next-in-rank shall be considered for selection and appointment to avail of the slot.
- b. Deferment of a grant shall be allowed within a period of one semester only; otherwise, scholarship shall be forfeited if not enjoyed by the declared scholar within the prescribed time.

3. All pertinent provisions contained in the Revised National Scholarship Center Manual of Information inconsistent with the above-mentioned policies are hereby rescinded.

4. It is requested that this Order be given the widest publicity for the information and guidance of all concerned.

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Reference:

N o n e

Allotment: 1-2+3--(D.O. 1-76)

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