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SCHOOL DISCIPLINE

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Chiefs of Services and Heads of Units
Schools Superintendents/Vocational School Administrators
Presidents, State Colleges and Universities
Heads of Private Schools, Colleges and Universities

1. In accordance with the provisions of Section 8, Article XV of the Constitution that "all educational institutions shall be under the supervision of, and subject to the regulation by the State," and pursuant to the authority vested in this Ministry by law, and as a means of protecting the rights of students and pupils to attend classes; and of teachers and professors to teach, the following rule is hereby promulgated such that when the same or a rule with similar effect is not already in the rules and regulations of the schools, colleges and universities, it shall be deemed incorporated as part of those rules and regulations.

"Any student, teacher, professor, officer or employee of a university, college or school who impedes, obstructs, prevents or defeats the right and obligation of a teacher or professor to teach his subject, or the right of a student to attend his classes, shall be subject to disciplinary action without prejudice to the criminal liability of the offender.

"The administrative penalty for violation of this rule shall be determined by the proper school authorities, which may range from warning, suspension, or expulsion from the educational institution and dismissal from employment, as the case may be; provided, however, that if the offender is not a national of the Republic of the Philippines whose stay in the country is specifically for study or educational reasons, the penalty shall be expulsion and/or dismissal from employment; provided, further, that this provision is not in any way intended

to limit or restrict the power of a teacher or professor to refuse to admit in, or exclude a student from, his class for any reasonable cause, such as, misbehavior, absences without justification, and the like.

School authorities are enjoined to inform their students and employees of this rule.

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Minister of Education and Culture

Reference:

None

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