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RELAXING THE QUOTA OF NON-IMMIGRANT FOREIGN STUDENTS
ENTERING PHILIPPINE SCHOOLS

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

1. In 1979, the Ministry of Education, Culture and Sports issued MEC Order No. 74, s. 1979 restricting the admission of foreign students to Philippine schools, whether private or government-owned educational institutions.
2. This policy is undergoing review due to several existing cultural agreements entered into by the Philippines and other countries. Moreover, the Ministry believes that Philippine schools are now ready to accommodate more new foreign students in certain courses without depriving Filipino students the same opportunities to pursue higher education.
3. In the light of the foregoing considerations, and after consultation with other concerned government offices and agencies, effective the school year 1983-84, the following guidelines in the admission and enrolment of foreign students shall be observed:
 - a. That the quota for non-immigrant foreign students shall not exceed ten per cent (10%) of the total freshmen enrolment in each undergraduate degree course in each school.
 - b. That each school authorized to accept foreign students shall comply with all the government requirements in the admission of foreign students.

- c. That each school concerned shall submit to the MECS, through the Bureau of Youth Affairs, Foreign Students and Foreign Schools (BYAFSFS), one month before the opening of classes, the total number of foreign students they can accommodate without displacing any Filipino student.
 - d. That the authority granted to a school to accept foreign students shall be withdrawn in the event that the school fails to comply with all the regulations and requirements in the admission of foreign students.
4. This Order does not in anyway change the quota imposed by this Ministry to foreign students desiring to enroll in the school of medicine or dentistry as stated in MEC Order No. 17, s. 1980, dated April 7, 1980.
5. The Ministry, through the Bureau of Youth Affairs, Foreign Students and Foreign Schools, shall determine the specific quota of foreign students of each school authorized by the MECS and the Commission on Immigration and Deportation (CID) in accordance with this policy.
6. Any provision contrary to this MECS Order is hereby rescinded.


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References:

MEC Orders: (Nos. 74, s. 1979 and 17, s. 1980)

Allotment: 1-2-3-4--(D.O. 1-76)

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