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SUBJECT

United Nations Public Service Awards (UNPSA) Program

The United Nations (UN) has announced the guidelines for the 2015 UN Public Service Awards, the most prestigious international recognition of excellence in public service. UNPSA aims to reward creative achievements and contributions of public service institutions towards a more effective and responsive public administration in countries worldwide. The Awards is managed by the Division for Public Administration and Development Management (DPADM) of the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA) in collaboration with the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-WOMEN).

The 2015 UNPSA has four categories: improving the delivery of public services, fostering participation in policy-making decisions through innovative mechanisms, promoting whole-of-government approaches in the information age, and promoting gender responsive delivery of public services.

In line with this, all government agencies nationwide are enjoined to participate in the UNPSA and showcase their achievements in public service excellence. This would be a good opportunity to be nominated to an international award. The deadline for applications is October 31, 2014. Nominations may be submitted online at www.unpan.org/applyunpsa2014. For more information, please see attached letter from the Department of Foreign Affairs.

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Thairperson

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

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Dear Chairman Duque,

I have the honor to provide Civil Service Commission with a copy of the Submission Rules for Nomination and Evaluation Process for the 2015 United Nations Public Service Awards (UNPSA) Programme being organized by the United Nations Public Administration Network.

The UNPSA is the most prestigious international recognition of excellence in public service. It rewards the creative achievements and contributions of public service institutions that lead to a more effective and responsive public administration in countries worldwide.

Now on its 13th edition, the UNSPA, through an annual competition, promotes the role, professionalism and visibility of public service. With the ongoing thrust to actively promote, recognize and learn from world-wide public organizations who have improved the quality of life of citizens through innovative practices, UNPSA encourages exemplary public service and recognizes that democracy and successful governance are built on a competent civil service.

During the briefing session for Permanent Missions on the UNPSA Programme on 03 September 2014 chaired by Dr. John Mary Kauzya, Chief, Public Administration Capacity Branch (PACB), Division for Public Administration and Development Management (DPADM) of the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA), Dr. Kauzya stressed the role of public service in capacity building and development. He highlighted the progress achieved since the inception of the programme in 2003. Amongst were increase in the nomination of entries from 81 in 2003 to 704 in 2014, and number of representation of countries to 82 in 2013.

Acceptance of nominations for the award started on 01 August 2014. Application deadline is on 31 October 2014. Nominations can be submitted online at: www.unpan.org/applyunpsa2014.

HON. FRANCISCO T. DUQUE III

Chairman

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The Civil Service Commission is kindly requested to disseminate the information to as many agencies in the national and regional offices.

The Department recommends PH participation in the 2015 UNPSA. For more information, visit the link at http://unpan.org/DPADM/UPSDayAwards/UNPublicServiceAwards/tabid/1522/language/en-US/Default.aspx which could also be found in the DFA website.

Please accept our warm regards.

Very truly yours, For the Secretary of Foreign Affairs

JESUS R.S. DOMINGO Assistant Secretary