

MC No. 16, s. 2014

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

TO :

HEADS OF CONSTITUTIONAL BODIES, DEPARTMENTS, BUREAUS, AND AGENCIES OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT; LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS;

GOVERNMENT-OWNED AND CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS WITH ORIGINAL CHARTER; AND STATE UNIVERSITIES AND

COLLEGES

SUBJECT

ASEAN Week Celebration and Simultaneous Flag Raising Ceremony

on August 11, 2014

Pursuant to Proclamation No. 1008 dated May 21, 1997 declaring August 7-13 every year as "ASEAN Week," agencies of the government are enjoined to initiate and implement programs and activities that would help generate awareness on and support for ASEAN.

It may be recalled that in 2013, through CSC MC No. 16, 2013, agencies were encouraged to display the ASEAN Flag as a testament of the Philippine's full commitment to ASEAN community-building goals by 2015, and to participate in various activities to help raise awareness on ASEAN.

This year, the Department of Foreign Affairs will lead the nation in a simultaneous flag raising ceremony to commemorate ASEAN Day on August 11, 2014 at 8:00 in the morning. Agencies are encouraged to participate through hoisting of the ASEAN flag and singing of the ASEAN Anthem (music sheet attached for reference) during their respective flag raising ceremonies.

For inquiries/particulars on the flag raising ceremony, as well as a complete list of activities for ASEAN Week celebration, agencies may get in touch with the Department of Foreign Affairs through the following contact details: telephone (02) 834-4431; email: aseanph@yahoo.com.

FRANCISCO T. DUQUE III, MD, MSc

Chairman

JUL 23 2014

MALACAÑANG MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 1008.

DECLARING AUGUST 7 TO 13 OF EVERY YEAR AS "ASEAN WEEK"

WHEREAS, the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) was founded on 8 August 1967 in Bangkok, Thailand to promote the economic, social and cultural development of the region through cooperative programs, to safeguard the political and economic stability of the region and to serve as a forum for the resolution of intra-regional differences;

WHEREAS, the Philippines is a founding member and has been one of the active members of the ASEAN since its establishment thirty years ago;

WHEREAS, ASEAN will be celebrating its 30th Anniversary on August 8th

WHEREAS, the Philippines recognizes the need to further promote ASEAN awareness, and instill in the minds of the Filipino people the importance, value and meaning of ASEAN in achieving and maintaining regional peace and instainable development;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by (structure of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare August 7 to 13 of structure was "ASEAN WEEK".

All government agencies, specifically the Department of Foreign Affairs (lead agency), Department of Education, Culture and Sports, Department of the Interior and Local Government, Department of Tourism, Department of Trade and industry and the Commission for Higher Education are enjoined to initiate and implement programs and activities to help generate awareness and public support promoting the observance of ASEAN Week in the various offices, schools, iniversities, local government units and business establishments.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal

DONE in the City of Manila, this 21st day of May in the year of Our Lord, instead and Ninety-Seven.

the President.

UBEN B. TORKES

Executive Secretary

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