Republika ng Filipina PAMBANSANG PANGA-IWAAN NG PATUBIG (National Trrigation Administration) Gusaling Ablaza, 117 E. Rodriguez Sr. Lungsod ng Quezon

MC # 59, s. 1968

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

TO

ALL REGIONAL & PROVINCIAL IRRIGATION ENGINEERS, IRRIGATION SUPERINTENDENTS/ OFFICERS-IN-CHARGE OF IRRIGATION SYS-TEMS, PROJECT ENGINEERS, CASHIERS AND DISBURSING OFFICERS National Irrigation Administration

SUBJECT : <u>Prohibiting the Use of "Vales", IOUs</u> Chits or other forms of Promissory Notes in Government Disbursements

Quoted hereunder for your information and guidance is Memorandum Circular 570 of the Office of the Auditor General dated June 24, 1968:

"Republic of the Philippines GENERAL AUDITING OFFICE Quezon City

June 24, 1968

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR 570

SUBJECT: Prohibiting the use of "vales", IOUS, chits or other forms of promissory notes in government disbursements.

TO

: All heads of executive departments, agencies, local governments, and government-owned or controlled corporations; cashiers and disbursing officers; and auditors concerned.

In a recent cash examination of the cash and accounts of a disbursing officer in one agency, an audit team found among the cash items presented by the accountable officer to his credit cash advance payments to officials and employees including auditing personnel. These cash advances, given through the use of yellow reimbursement receipts (General Form No. 3-A), aside from the fact that they were exceptionally large, did not specify the official needs for which the money was advanced.

It was fairly obvious that the form drawn was essentially a "vale", an IOU, a chit or promissory note, which, under repeated office memoranda and even in formal rulings of this Office, is never accepted as a valid payment of any disbursing officer. The conclusion that the transaction was really a loan becomes the more positive by the lack of justification for the grant of the cash advance.

To put an end to the unauthorized practice disclosed above, the following rules are laid down for the observance of all concerned: 1. A vale, IOU, chit or other form of promissory note, is not acceptable credit to the cash account of any accountable officer, and is at once excluded during the cash examination from among the cash items.

2. The yellow reimbursement receipt properly used only as receipt or proof of petty expenses in the field, should not be used to replace the general voucher for drawing amounts which need the approval of several officials before payment, and require adequate description of the goods or services being paid for.

3. Cash advance asked by any auditing personnel requires the prior approval of the Auditor General, Deputy Auditor General, or the proper department manager.

Under no circumstance shall deviation from the foregoing rules be accepted. Any violation of these rules shall be sufficient cause for the filing of administrative or criminal charges, against the erring official or employee.

This Memorandum Circular supplements Memorandum Circulars Nos. 7 and 302, dated August 31, 1948 and October 26, 1956, respectively.

> (SGD.) ISMAEL MATHAY, SR. Auditor General"

Strict compliance is hereby enjoined.

ALFREDØ L. JUINIO Acting Administrator

July 15, 1968



Republic of the Philippines AUR-Pls National Irrigation Administration OFFICE OF THE CORPORATE AUDITOR Quezon City

July 3, 1968

The Acting Administrator National Irrigation Administration Quezon City

Sir:

There are enclosed copies of Memorandum Circular No. 570, dated June 24, 1968, of the Auditor General, prohibiting the use of "vales", IOUs, chits and other forms of promissory notes in government disbursements.

It is suggested that the contents of the said Memorandum Circular be disseminated to all management personnel, particularly the cashiers and disbursing officers, for their information and compliance therewith.

Advice of the action taken hereon is requested.

Very truly yours,

ERNES Auditor Corporate

Encls.: As stated.

"Irrigation is the crying need of the hour." - Pres. Ferdinand E. Marcos