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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

TO : THE DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR, ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATORS, DEPARTMENT MANAGERS, REGIONAL IRRIGATION MANAGERS, OPERATION/PROJECT MANAGERS, IRRIGATION. SUPERINTENDENTS, PROVINCIAL IRRIGATION ENGINEERS, AND ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

SUBJECT : ENJOINING GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL AND ALL CONCERNED FROM ENTERING OR PLAYING IN CASINOS

Quoted hercunder in full is Memorandum Circular No. 8 dated 28 August 2001 of the Office of the President for your information and guidance.

" MALACANANG MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 8

ENJOINING GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL AND ALL CONCERNED FROM ENTERING OR PLAYING CASINOS

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree (PD) No. 1067-B, as last amended by PD No. 1869, granted the Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation (PAGCOR) a franchise to establish, operate and maintain gambling clubs and casinos;

WHEREAS, one of the conditions imposed on the franchise holder is that only tourists and/or foreigners who are not residents of the Philippines, and residents with a net income for the previous year of at least P 50,000.00, which fact should be certified to by the Bureau of Internal Revenue, shall be allowed to play at the gambling casinos;

WHEREAS, the following persons are not allowed to stay and/or play at the gambling casinos:

- a) Government officials connected directly with the operation of the government or any of its agencies, save personnel employed by the casinos who may be allowed to stay in the premises;
- b) Members of the Philippine National Police (PNP) and Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP), including the Army, Navy, and Air Force; and

WHEREAS, it has been reported that some government officials and employees, including members of the PNP and AFP, have been seen in casinos.

WHEREAS, there is a need to enforce strictly the aforementioned conditions set by law.

IN VIEW OF THE FOREGOING, it is hereby reiterated that all government personnel are prohibited from entering, staying and/or playing at gambling casinos. Accordingly, it is hereby directed:

- 1. All heads of departments, bureaus and offices, government-owned or controlled corporations and local governments, including the PNP and AFP, to remind officials and employees under them regarding this prohibition and to impose the appropriate sanctions and penalties in case of violation thereof; and
- 2. The PAGCOR Management to strictly enforce the law and this memorandum Circular as regards the prohibition to enter, stay and/or play in casinos.

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of manila, this 28^{th} day of August, 2001.

By Authority of the President:

(SGD.) ALBERTO G. ROMULO Executive Secretary"

Be guided accordingly.

S EMMANUEL M. PARAS Administrator

03 October, 2001 Date