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NATIONAL MARITIME WEEK CELEBRATION

To: Bureau Directors
Directors of Services/Centers and Heads of Units
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents

1. The Maritime Industry Authority will spearhead the celebration of the National Maritime Week with the theme "Committed People Working for Safe, Secure and Clean Seas" on September 22-28, 2003. This is pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 157 dated August 10, 1999.
2. The following activities have been lined up for the celebration:
 - a. Essay Writing Contest (High School Category) which aims to create awareness among the students of the role of government in making the ships and seas clean, safe and secure;
 - b. Open Ship Activity which will be held on board the Philippine Coast Guard Search and Rescue vessel which will dock at the PCG Headquarters near Pier 13 for elementary pupils and high school students to visit; and
 - c. Visits to the Maritime and Naval Museum at the Philippine Navy Headquarters in Roxas Boulevard which will open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on September 22-26, 2003.
3. For more information, please contact Mr. Oscar M. Sevilla, Administrator, Maritime Industry Authority at PPL Bldg., 1000 U.N. Avenue, Ermita, Manila, tel. no. 523-86-51 to 60 and website address <http://www.marina.gov.ph>
4. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


EDILBERTO C. DE JESUS
Secretary

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Encl.: As stated
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To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the following subjects:

CELEBRATION & FESTIVALS
CONTESTS
STUDENTS

(Enclosure to DepED Memorandum No. 343, s. 2003)

National Maritime Week 2003
ESSAY WRITING CONTEST
High School Category

Rules and Regulations

1. This Contest shall be open to all high school students in the Philippines.
2. The Contest shall be conducted in two levels – the **Elimination Round** at the regional level and the **Final Round** at the national level.
3. Entries for the regional eliminations shall be submitted to the Maritime Regional Offices c/o the following:

<p><u>For Regions I and II</u> Engr. Alfonso Rulloda Officer-in-Charge Northern Luzon Maritime Regional Office 2nd Floor, Apostol Building Sevilla Norte, Quezon Avenue San Fernando City, La Union</p> <p><u>For the NCR and Region III</u> Capt. Jovito G. Tamayo Chief-of-Staff Maritime Industry Authority Room 509 5/F PPL Building United Nations Avenue, Ermita Manila</p> <p><u>For Region IV</u> Ms. Myrna C. Clemino Director Batangas Maritime Regional Office Mercado Building, Rizal Avenue Ext. Sta. Clara, Batangas City</p> <p><u>For Region V</u> Ms. Lucita T. Madarang Director Legaspi Maritime Regional Office 2nd Floor RCBC Building Rizal Street, Legaspi City 4500</p> <p><u>For Region VI</u> Ms. Mary Ann Armi A. Arcilla Director Iloilo Maritime Regional Office 4th Floor, Arguelles Building 402 E. Lopez Street Jaro, Iloilo City 5000</p>	<p><u>For Region VII</u> Atty. Glenn G. Cabañez Director Cebu Maritime Regional Office CCCI Building, cor. 11th and 13th Avenues North Reclamation Area, Cebu City</p> <p><u>For Region VIII</u> Engr. Jose Venancio A. Vero, Jr. Director Tacloban Maritime Regional Office 3RD floor, Yutangco Building P. Burgos Street, Tacloban City</p> <p><u>For Region IX</u> Engr. Rene H. Mani Officer-in-Charge Zamboanga Maritime Regional Office PMO Building, Port Area, Zamboanga City</p> <p><u>For Region X & CARAGA</u> Mr. Marianito D. Mendoza Director Cagayan de Oro Maritime Regional Office Phase II, Port Area 9000 Cagayan de Oro City</p> <p><u>For Region XI</u> Ms. Nannette V. Dinopol Director Davao Maritime Regional Office 2nd Floor, Antonia Tan Building Monteverde Street, 8000 Davao City</p> <p><u>For Region XII</u> Atty. Irving Saipudin Director Cotabato Maritime Regional Office 3rd Floor Don Rufino Alonzo Sr. Building Don Rufino Alonzo Street, Cotabato City</p>
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ESSAY WRITING CONTEST

Rules and Regulations

High School Category

4. The first place winners in the regional level eliminations shall compete in the finals which will be done at the Central Office of the Maritime Industry Authority in Manila. Cash prizes and plaques await the winners at the national level. The Maritime Regional Office concerned may determine what prizes can be made available for the regional level winners.
5. The theme for the essay shall be "***WHAT CAN GOVERNMENT DO TO ENSURE THAT OUR SHIPS AND OUR SEAS ARE SAFE, CLEAN AND SECURE?***"
6. The essay shall not be less than 500 words.
7. The essay shall be printed double-spaced in white legal bond paper with appropriate margins.
8. Only one entry per student shall be allowed.
9. Schools (high schools) may submit as many entries as possible.
10. Each entry must be officially endorsed by the High School Principal.
11. Deadline for submission of entries for the elimination round to the Maritime Regional Office concerned is September 07, 2003.
12. The first place winning essay-entries from the maritime regional offices must be received at the MARINA Central Office in Manila not later than **September 22, 2003** for the final screening.
13. The winners for the final round shall be announced not later than 30 September 2003.

National Maritime Week 2003
ESSAY WRITING CONTEST
CRITERIA FOR JUDGING

The essays will be judged using the following criteria:

- **Creativity/Originality/Innovativeness (15%)**

The essay will be judged on the creativity and originality of the ideas for how government can ensure that our ships and our seas clean, safe and secure.

- **Comprehension (25%)**

The essay will be judged on how comprehensive it is in terms of supporting the main points and conclusions. It must develop the main points completely and thoroughly. Using details, giving concrete examples, reasons and/or citations will add to the strength of the essay. The essay will be evaluated based on the consistency of the case on how government can ensure that our ships and our seas are clean, safe and secure.

- **Clarity of Expression (20%)**

The essay will be judged on how clear the points are expressed. The essay must avoid ambiguity or vagueness, clichés, wordiness and repetitious and awkward word choices. It must exhibit appropriate use of words with respect to denotation and connotation. It must make pronouns refer clearly to the appropriate referents.

- **Organization/Theme Structure (20%)**

The essay will be judged on how well it is organized in a logical way to support the subject matter or the theme. It must respond or adhere to the theme or the controlling idea. It must develop ideas without unnecessary repetition and provide explanations wherever they are necessary. It must display coherence within and between paragraphs.

- **Writing grammar, punctuation, spelling, style (20%)**

The essay will be judged on the fundamentals of grammar, spelling. The essay should be mechanically sound and must be able to exhibit standard English usage.