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44TH ANNUAL BIOTA NATIONAL CONVENTION AND SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Heads, Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. The Biology Teachers Association of the Philippines, Inc. (BIOTA-Phils., Inc.) in cooperation with the University of Makati, and the Commission on Higher Education, will hold its 44th Annual BIOTA National Convention and Scientific Sessions on April 2-4, 2009 at the University of Makati, West Rembo, Makati City, Metro Manila.

2. The theme of this year's convention is "**Biologists in Bioresource Exploration and Conservation**". The major activities include plenary sessions, seminars, workshops, demonstrations, hands-on activities, poster exhibits/discussions, and commercial exhibits. These activities are designed to:

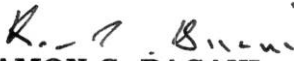
- a. affirm the biologists' vital role as agents of change in the exploration and conservation of the earth's bioresources;
- b. identify effective ways by which contemporary teaching approaches and practical research methods can be integrated into the Biology course at the different educational levels;
- c. stress the responsibility of biology teachers and researchers in promoting interest, understanding, and appreciation of the biological sciences; and
- d. provide a venue for teachers to share experiences and to enhance their knowledge on research works, teaching innovations, and other creative activities that may help improve and promote Biology education in the country.

3. Considering the relevance and importance of this annual convention towards upgrading educators and researchers in different fields of biology, teachers, professors, instructors, and educators of public and private elementary and secondary schools are allowed to attend on **official time**. With its commitment to excellence in biology teaching, research and community service, BIOTA-Philippines, Inc. invites interested stakeholders to the convention to discuss and address global issues concerning alternative energy sources, climate change, and bioresource conservation.

4. The registration fee of Three Thousand Pesos (PhP3,000.00) will be charged each teacher-participant to cover regular membership fee (PhP300.00); convention materials; 3-day snacks; lunch; fellowship and testimonial dinners. Additional field trip fee (approximately PhP200.00) shall also be charged on-site.

5. For more information, please contact Prof. Rosie S. Madulid, President, BIOTA-Philippines, Inc. Biological Science Department, College of Science, University of Santo Tomas, España, Manila 1008, tel. no. (02) 406-1611 local 8297; fax no. (02)740-9730; cellphone no. 0919-8532533; email: redrose2846@yahoo.co.uk

6. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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Undersecretary
Officer-in-Charge

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