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Department of Education

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PROMOTION OF ONLINE CHILD PROTECTION AND PREVENTION OF CYBERBULLYING

To: Undersecretaries **Assistant Secretaries** Bureau and Service Directors Regional Directors Schools Division Superintendents

Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools Heads

- In recognition of the growing need to protect children from bullying, particularly cyberbullying and the potential risks of using the internet, DepEd entered a partnership with Stairway Foundation, Inc. (SFI) through the CyberSafe Project. The Project focuses on Online Child Protection and seeks to prevent online child abuse through the creation and dissemination of instructional materials on online safety.
- In line with the mandates of DepEd's Child Protection Policy (DepEd Order No. 40, s. 2012) and the Implementing Rules and Regulations of the Anti-Bullying Act of 2013 (DepEd Order No. 55, s. 2013) to build the capacities of school personnel, pupils and students to prevent the incidence of child abuse and bullying, the Project produced the CyberSafe Online Lesson Plans for Grades Five and Six (Manual 1) and Junior High School (Manual 2) learners. The Lesson Plans consist of different modules which will aid teachers in developing the students' capacities to stay safe online by teaching positive online behavior, discussing topics related to cyberbullying, and how to recognize and respond to cyberbullying. The modules are uploaded on the DepEd Learning Resources Management and Development System (LRMDS) portal and the CyberSafe Project portal (www.cybersafe.asia) for viewing and downloading purposes.
- The use of the CyberSafe Online Lessons is highly encouraged to promote Online Child Protection and prevent online child abuse, particularly cyberbullying. Copies of the Manuals will be released to the schools division offices for distribution to the schools under their respective jurisdictions.
- 4. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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Secretary

References:

DepEd Order: (Nos. 40, s. 2012 and 55, s. 2013)

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