



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education



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DISSEMINATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NOS. 121 AND 122

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

1. For the information and guidance of all concerned, enclosed are copies of the following:

- a. Administrative Order No. 121 dated June 30, 2005 entitled "Directing All Government Offices to Strictly Comply with Administrative Order No. 03 (s. 2001) Prohibiting the Acquisition and Use By Government Offices Including Government Owned or Controlled Corporations, Government Financial Institutions, State Universities and Colleges and Local Government Units of Luxury Vehicles"; and
- b. Administrative Order No. 122 dated June 30, 2005 entitled "Directing All Government Offices to Strictly Comply with Presidential Decree No. 96 Declaring Unlawful the Indiscriminate Use of Sirens, Blinkers or Similar Devices".

2. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

R. C. Bacani
RAMON C. BACANI
Undersecretary
Officer-in-Charge

Encls.: As stated
Reference: None
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Manila

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 122

**DIRECTING ALL GOVERNMENT OFFICES TO STRICTLY COMPLY WITH
PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 96 DECLARING UNLAWFUL THE
INDISCRIMINATE USE OF SIRENS, BLINKERS OR SIMILAR DEVICES**

WHEREAS, the indiscriminate use of sirens, blinkers or similar devices obstructs the efficient flow of traffic along the country's major thoroughfares;

WHEREAS, the improper use of these devices poses as a safety and traffic hazard to both motorists and pedestrians;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to remind concerned government offices and agencies of the proper use of these devices;

WHEREAS, on January 13, 1973, Presidential Decree No. 96 was issued declaring it unlawful for any owner or possessor of any motor vehicle to use or attach to his vehicle any siren, bell, horn, whistle or similar gadgets that produce exceptionally loud or startling sounds, including domelights, blinkers and other similar signaling or flashing devices;

WHEREAS, under Presidential Decree No. 96, such gadgets or devices may be attached to and used only on motor vehicles designated for official use by the Armed Forces of the Philippines, National Bureau of Investigation, Land Transportation Office, Police Departments, Fire Departments and hospital ambulances;

WHEREAS, in order to serve as an example and encourage the general public to comply with the provisions of Presidential Decree No. 96, government officials and employees not falling within the exceptions provided for therein should take the lead in strictly observing the prohibitions on the use of sirens, blinkers or similar and devices as provided for in Presidential Decree No. 96;

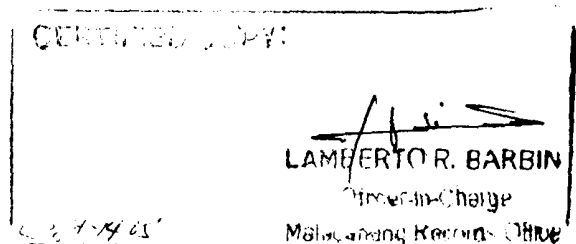
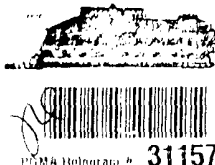
NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order all government offices and agencies to strictly adhere to the provisions of Presidential Decree No. 96 dated January 13, 1973.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 30th day of June, in the year of our Lord, two thousand and five.

By the President:


EDUARDO R. ERMITA
Executive Secretary





Malacañang
Manila

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 121

DIRECTING ALL GOVERNMENT OFFICES TO STRICTLY COMPLY WITH ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 03 (S. 2001) PROHIBITING THE ACQUISITION AND USE BY GOVERNMENT OFFICES INCLUDING GOVERNMENT OWNED OR CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS, GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS OF LUXURY VEHICLES

WHEREAS, in light of the present economic situation facing the country today, there is an urgent need to undertake decisive measures to highlight the government's unwavering commitment to public interest;

WHEREAS, the present Administration adheres to the time-honored principle of public office being a public trust;

WHEREAS, the judicious and responsible utilization of government resources is one of the pillars of good governance;

WHEREAS, to set the moral tone, it is necessary to reiterate the prohibition imposed on the acquisition and use by government offices of luxury vehicles to uphold the government's sworn duty to exemplify the values of integrity, professionalism, public accountability and simple living in public service;

WHEREAS, on February 27, 2001, Administrative Order No. 03 was issued prohibiting the acquisition and use by all government offices of luxury vehicles;

WHEREAS, under Administrative Order No. 03, subject to exceptions, all government offices, including government-owned and controlled corporations, government financial institutions, state universities and colleges and local government units, were directed to account for all their motor vehicle units and prepare a disposal program for all luxury motor vehicles according to the procedure provided for therein.



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WHEREAS, Administrative Order No. 03 also directed all government offices to dispose of such vehicles by public auction or sale in compliance with applicable laws, rules and regulations, and to turn over the proceeds of such disposition to the National Treasury in the case of national government offices/agencies, to their respective operating funds in the case of government-owned and controlled corporations and government financial institutions, and to their respective local funds in the case of local government units.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order all government offices, including government-owned and controlled corporations, government financial institutions, state universities and colleges and local government units to strictly comply with the provisions of Administrative Order No. 03 dated February 27, 2001.


Compliance with this Order, including final disposition of covered luxury vehicles and turnover of proceeds, shall be completed within 60 days from date of issuance hereof.

All heads of government offices shall promptly submit an appropriate report to the President, through the Executive Secretary, of compliance with this Order.

All government offices are strictly enjoined to observe the government's austerity program in order to ensure the continued success of the government's economic reforms.

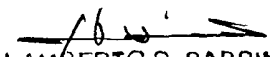
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EDUARDO R. ERMITA
Executive Secretary

CERTIFIED COPY:



LAMBERTO R. BARBIN
Assistant Secretary

