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ACTION ON APPLICATION TO OPEN GRADUATE SCHOOLS/PROGRAMS

To: Bureau Directors  
Regional Directors  
Presidents, State Colleges and Universities  
Heads of Private Schools, Colleges and Universities

1. In order to ensure the quality of graduate education, this Ministry hereby adopts a collegial consultation policy regarding action on application to open graduate schools/programs. In this connection and upon representation of the Philippine Association of Graduate Education (PAGE), the Regional Director shall endeavor to consult the concerned PAGE regional chapter in evaluating each application to operate a graduate school/program or additional major. Comments of the PAGE Regional Chapter, through its president, shall preferably be in writing, and must focus on the advisability of opening the graduate school/program/major applied for. The Regional Director shall include the comments of the concerned PAGE regional chapter in the documentation of his recommendation to the Minister.
2. The MECS Regional Offices are hereby instructed to coordinate with their respective PAGE regional chapter counterparts in devising appropriate procedures in implementing this Order.
3. This Order takes effect immediately.
4. Compliance with this Order by all concerned is required.

(SGD.) JAIME C. LAYA  
Minister

Reference:

None

Allotment: 1-3-4--(D.O. 1-76)

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