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Department of Education

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20TH NATIONAL CHILDREN'S MONTH CELEBRATION

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Bureau Directors
Directors of Services, Centers and Heads of Units
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Heads, Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. In compliance with Presidential Proclamation No. 267, s. 1993, declaring the month of October of every year as the National Children's Month, the Department of Education (DepEd), joins the Council for the Welfare of Children (CWC) in celebrating the **20th Anniversary of National Children's Month**. This year's theme is *"Bright Child ay Siguraduhin, Responsableng Pamamahayag ay Palaganapin!"*

2. The Celebration aims to promote and protect the physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, and social well-being of the Filipino children. Likewise, this year's celebration intends to give emphasis on the role of media in protecting the children's rights.

3. In view of this, the regional and division offices, and schools are encouraged to undertake the following child-related activities on October 1-31, 2012 to highlight the role of children in community life and nation-building:

- a. Hoisting of a streamer depicting this year's logo and theme may be downloaded from <http://www.cwc.gov.ph> or may be seen in Enclosure No. 1;
- b. Integration of the celebration in different subject areas;
- c. Giving recognition or awards to students/children who have made significant contributions in the school or in the community;
- d. Discussions on current issues involving children, in the appropriate subject areas; and
- e. Organize child-friendly activities such as art contests, poster and slogan making, children's fair, and/or photo exhibit.

4. During the Kick-off Program on October 1, 2012 at 8:20-8:40 a.m. based on the Philippine Standard Time (PST) as per DepEd Order No. 86, s. 2011, there will be a simultaneous nationwide singing of children's rights community songs entitled *"Here I Am One Small Voice (English Version)* or *"Narito ang Munting Puso"* Bright Child Song, and *"Bawat Bata"* by Apo Hiking Society, by the children in their respective schools across regions. These songs may also be sang by school children in flag ceremonies during the month-long celebration. Enclosure Nos. 2 and 3 contain the lyrics of these songs.

5. The songs may be accessed at the CWC website: <http://www.cwc.gov.ph>, by clicking on *Downloads* at the title upper menu, or by clicking on *Others*, and then on *20th National Children's Month* under the *Public Affairs and Information Office (PAIO)*. The National Children's Month poster and streamer can also be downloaded from the website of CWC.

6. Expenses incurred relative to the conduct of activities for the said celebration shall be charged to local funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

7. For more information, please contact **Ms. Edna L. Estal** of the Council for the Welfare of Children (CWC) at telephone nos.: (02) 781-1035 and (02) 781-1039 local 1005 or 1006.

8. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


BR. ARMIN A. LUISTRO FSC
Secretary

Encls.:
As stated

References:
DepEd Advisory: No. 504, s. 2011
DepEd Order No. 86, s. 2011
DepEd Memorandum: No. 382, s. 2010

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the following subjects:

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Department of Education
joins the
Council for the Welfare of Children
in celebrating the

20th National Children's Month



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Responsableng Pamamahayag
ay Palaganapin*

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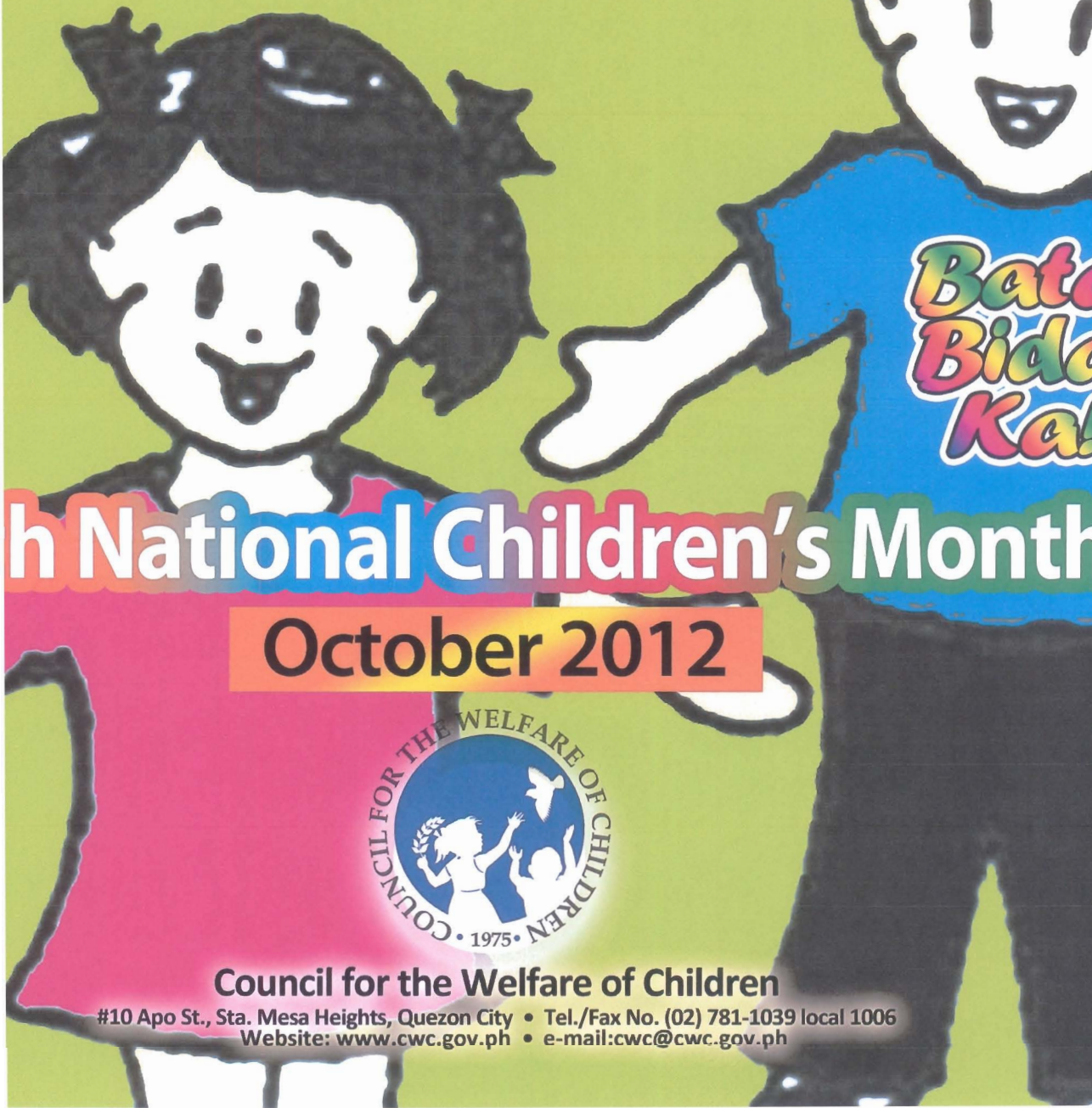
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BRIGTH CHILD

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CHILDREN'S RIGHTS THEME

HERE I AM ONE SMALL VOICE
HERE I AM ONE YOUNG SOUL LET ME JOIN YOUR WORLD
ENJOY YOUR WORLD AND TAKE IT AS MY OWN
I NEED YOUR LOVE

HERE WE ARE TAKE A LOOK AT US
HERE WE ARE CAN'T YOU SEE US AT ALL
ALL ALONE AND UNSURE
CAN YOU FEEL OUR FEARS
DO YOU KNOW ALL OUR DREAMS
CAN WE SHARE THEM ALL WITH YOU
WE NEED YOUR LOVE

CHORUS :

DON'T TAKE AWAY MY TIME TO BE A CHILD
LET ME BREATHE THE AIR WITH YOU
GIVE ME ROOM TO BE A ND SPACE TO SEE
LEND ME YOUR NAME, A VOICE TO SING MY DREAMS
TELL ME CAN I SHARE YOUR WORLD
SHARE THE WORLD WITH ME
I AM ONE YOUNG DREAM I NEED YOUR LOVE

HERE WE ARE THE CHILDREN.....

NARRATION- EVERY CHILD HAS THE RIGHT TO BE A USEFUL MEMBER OF THE SOCIETY AND TO DEVELOP INDIVIDUAL ABILITY

CAN YOU SHARE OUR DREAMS TODAY....

NARRATION- TO SPECIAL CARE IF HANDICAPPED, TO AFFECTION, LOVE, UNDERSTANDING , TO FULL OPPORTUNITY FOR PLAY

CAN YOU TAKE MY HAND TODAY....

NARRATION- TO ADEQUATE HOUSING, NUTRITION AND MEDICAL CARE AND TO BE AMONG THE FIRST TO RECEIVE RELIEF IN TIMES OF DISASTER

CAN YOU SHARE YOUR WORLD TODAY.....

NARRATION-TO A NAME AND NATIONALITY, TO FREE EDUCATION AND RECREATION. TO BE BROUGHT - UP IN A CULTURE OF PEACE AND UNIVERSAL BROTHERHOOD

WE NEED YOUR LOVE....

NARRATION- EVERY CHILD HAS THE RIGHT TO ENJOY THESE RIGHTS REGARDLESS OF RACE, COLOR, SEX, RELIGION, NATIONAL AND SOCIAL ORIGIN

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I AM ONE YOUNG DREAM
I NEED YOUR LOVE

Bawat Bata

By Apo Hiking Society

I

**Ang bawat bata sa ating mundo
Ay may pangalan may karapatan
Tumatanda ngunit bata pa rin
Ang bawat tao sa ating mundo**

II

**Hayaan mong mong maglaro ang bata sa araw
Kapag umulan nama'y nagtatampisaw
Mahirap man o may kaya
Maputi, kayumanggi
At kahit ano mang uri ka pa
Sa 'yo ang mundo pag bata ka
(REPEAT I)**

III

**Bawat nilikha sa mundo'y
Minamahal ng Panginoon
Ang bawat bata'y may pangalan
May karapatan sa ating mundo**

IV

**Hayaan mong bigyan na lang ng pagmamahal
Katulad ng sinadya ng Maykapal
Mahirap man o may kaya
Maputi, kayumanggi
At kahit ano mang uri ka pa
Sa 'yo ang mundo pag bata ka
Hoo - wa - hoo - wa, la la la...
(REPEAT II)
Sa iyo ang mundo pag bata ka (3X)
(REPEAT I)
(REPEAT III)
(REPEAT I to fade)**