



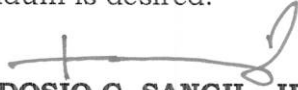
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COMMEMORATION OF THE 41ST FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY OF THE ASEAN
(Association of Southeast Asian Nations)

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

1. The Department of Education (DepED), through the Bureau of Secondary Education (BSE) and the Special Events Unit (SEU), enjoins all education stakeholders to commemorate the **41st Founding Anniversary of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)** on August 8, 2008. The theme of the commemoration is "Philippines and ASEAN Community Building".
2. The commemoration aims to:
 - a. raise the level of awareness of the Filipino educators, teachers and students on the existence of ASEAN as a regional organization;
 - b. recognize the significance of the Philippines' membership and involvement in ASEAN affairs; and
 - c. appreciate the milestones that ASEAN has achieved in the promotion of peace and understanding, political, economic and socio-cultural cooperation between and among the ASEAN member-nations, its partners in Asia and in the world as a whole.
3. The heads of offices at the regional, division and school levels, both public and private, are expected to lead the commemoration in their respective areas of responsibilities.
4. Activities focused on the theme of the celebration may include essay writing, slogan/poster-making contests and quiz shows.
5. Classroom discussions and symposia on the ASEAN with special focus on the Philippines' participation in the organization are encouraged.
6. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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