

Republic of the Philippines  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CULTURE AND SPORTS  
UL Complex, Pasig City

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DECS O R D E R  
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**TRANSFER OF FILIPINO STUDENTS FROM ABROAD TO PHILIPPINE SCHOOLS**

To: Undersecretaries  
Assistant Secretaries  
Bureau/Center Directors  
Regional Directors  
Schools Superintendents  
Heads of Private Elementary/Secondary Schools

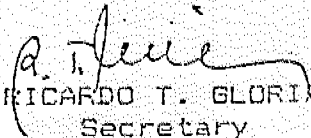
1. In line with the thrust of DECS to provide educational service to the greatest number of Filipino children and youth and in keeping with the desire to recognize the role of OCWs in nationbuilding, regional directors and other school officials are instructed to facilitate the accommodation of Filipino students from abroad in public and private schools.

2. Enrolment of these students particularly those who have been displaced by difficult circumstances in the country, e.g. war, where their parents have been working, should be given particular attention in order not to disrupt their schooling.

3. It is understood that those students who are enrolled in schools not accredited with DECS, may have to take validation tests in order to determine proper grade/curriculum year placements.

4. It is reminded that the decision to accommodate these students with all its attendant tasks, shall be the primary responsibility of the schools where they desire to study.

5. Wide and immediate dissemination of this Order is expected.

  
RICARDO T. GLORIA  
Secretary

Reference:

DECS Order: No. 26, s. 1994  
Allotment: 1-2-3-4--(M.O. 1-87)  
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