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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 165

ENCOURAGING ALL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) EXECUTIVES, PRACTITIONERS, USERS, AND ALLIED PROFESSIONS IN GOVERNMENT SERVICE TO ATTEND THE FOURTH ANNUAL NATIONAL CONVENTION OF THE GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (GO-IT)

WHEREAS, the Government Organization for Information Technology (GO-IT) is an organization of IT executives, practitioners, users and allied professions in government committed to advocate and propagate the use of Information Technology to accelerate national development through strategic IT applications, and promote the welfare of government IT professionals;

WHEREAS, GO-IT will hold its Fourth Annual National Convention in Tacloban City, Leyte on October 1-4, 1997 with the theme "GO IT FOR BETTER GOVERNANCE";

WHEREAS, the said Convention encourages and promotes interchange of information with the objective of enhancing the professional skills and expertise of members, and reinforcing the competence and prestige of the Information Technology profession in government, and emphasizing the role that the IT professional can play in pushing for the vision of an empowered and globally competitive economy;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. All heads of departments, agencies, local government unit and government-owned and/or -controlled corporations, are hereby enjoined to:

- a. Allow the IT executives, practitioners, users, and allied professions in government service to participate in the Fourth Annual National Convention of the Government Organization for Information Technology in Tacloban City, Leyte from 1-4 October 1997, provided that their attendance will not prejudice the regular delivery of service of the agency concerned.

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- b. Consider the convention an official staff development activity of the participants, subject to the availability of funds.

SEC. 2. All IT executives, practitioners, users, instructors and allied professions who will participate in the Convention are enjoined to:

- a. Identify common concerns in the field of government IT management that will enable everyone to contribute better to the development of the country.
- b. Participate actively in all the discussions and fora during the Convention.

SEC. 3. This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately

DONE in the City of Manila, this 20th day of August in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Seven.



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By the President:



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