

# Republic of the Philippines Department of Education Region VII, Central Visayas



## **DIVISION OF CEBUPROVINCE**

Sudlon, Lahug, Cebu City

August 18, 2016

DIVISION MEMORANDUM No. 48, s. 2016

"DISSEMINATION OF THE PROVINCE OF CEBU SP RESOLUTION NO. 1268-2016"

To: Assistant Superintendents

Education Supervisors/Coordinators Public Schools District Supervisors/OICs Elementary/Secondary School Heads

- 1. Attached is Regional Memorandum No. 0514 s. 2016 entitled "Dissemination of the Province of Cebu SP resolution No. 1268-2016", dated August 15, 2016, for information and guidance of all concerned.
- 2. For additional details, refer to the attached communication.
- 3. Immediate dissemination, guidance and appropriate action by all concerned.

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### REHIYON VII, GITNANG VISAYAS REGION VII, CENTRAL VISAYAS

Sudlon, Lahug, Cebu City



REGIONAL MEMORANDUM No. 0514 2016 AUG 1 5 2016

Dissemination of the Province of Cebu SP Resolution No. 1268-2016

(Urging the Department of Education, Region VII (DepEd VII), and the Commission on Higher Education, Region VII (CHED VII) to Consistently Refer the Sea that is Situated on the West Section of the Country as "West Philippine Sea" and not as "South China Sea", and Create Academic Awareness Campaign thereof)

To: Schools Division Superintendents

- 1. This Office hereby disseminates Sangguniang Panlalawigan Resolution No. 1268-2016 entitled Urging the Department of Education, Region VII (DepEd VII), and the Commission on Higher Education, Region VII (CHED VII) to consistently refer the sea that is situated on the West Section of the country as West Philippine Sea and not as South China Sea, and create academic awareness campaign thereof.
- 2. Details of the said SP Resolution is attached.
- 3. For the information, guidance and appropriate action by all concerned.

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August 2, 2016

Dr. Juliet A. Jeruta Regional Director DEPED 7 Sudlon, Lahug, Cebu City 6000

Dear Dr. Jeruta:

This is to furnish you a copy of <u>SP Resolution No. 1268-2016</u> for your information.

Very truly yours,

PULCHRA MARIE E. ACEVEDO

Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

Encl: as stated PMEA/pmc/160208



# Republic of the Philippines Province of Cebu SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN Cebu Capitol, Cebu City

14th SP

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Session

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 3<sup>RD</sup> REGULAR SESSION HELD BY THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF CEBU, AT THE SESSION HALL, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING, CAPITOL COMPOUND, CEBU CITY ON JULY 18, 2016.

### PRESENT:

Hon, Jerome Christian V. Librando

Hon. Jude Thaddeus Durano Sybico

Hon. Christopher R. Baricuatro

Hon. Raul D. Bacaltos Hon. Yolanda L. Daan

Hon. Edsel A. Galeos

Hon, Jose Mari D. Salvador

Hon. Alex S. Binghay

Hon. Victoria Corominas-Toribio

Hon. Horacio V. Franco Hon. Sun J. Shimura

Hon, Miguel Antonio A. Magpale

Hon, Glenn O, Bercede

Hon. Thadeo Jovito M. Ouano

Hon, Gamaliel B. Lumapas

Presiding Officer Pro Tempore

(Acting Vice Governor/Presiding Officer)

Majority Floor Leader

Assistant Majority Floor Leader

Sanggunian Member Sanggunian Member

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Sanggunian Member (PCL)

### LEAVE:

Hon, Celestino A. Martinez III

Sanggunian Member (FABC)

(NOTE: Hon. Agnes A. Magpale is Acting Provincial Governor)

### **RESOLUTION NO. 1268-2016**

**AUTHOR: HON. MIGUEL ANTONIO A. MAGPALE** 

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, REGION VII (DepEd VII), AND THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION, REGION VII (CHED VII) TO CONSISTENTLY REFER THE SEA THAT IS SITUATED ON THE WEST SECTION OF THE COUNTRY AS "WEST PHILIPPINE SEA" AND NOT AS "SOUTH CHINA SEA", AND CREATE ACADEMIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN THEREOF.

WHEREAS, the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS), also known as the Law of the Sea Treaty, is an international agreement that defines the limit of the territorial seas of nations and the areas in which they could exploit marine resources;

WHEREAS, Article 2 (1) of the United Nations Convention of the Law of the Sea provides that, "the sovereignty of a coastal State extends, beyond its land territory and internal waters and, in the axe of an archipelagic State, its archipelagic waters, to an adjacent belt of

WHEREAS, Article 3 of the United Nations Convention of the Law of The Sea provides that, "Every State has the right to establish the breadth of its territorial sea up to a limit of not exceeding 12 nautical miles, measured from baselines determined in accordance with this Convention":

WHEREAS, the Spratty Islands are clearly within the 12 nautical miles as defined by the territorial seas prescribed by the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS);

WHEREAS, the People's Republic of China is a signatory of the United Nations Convention of the Law of the Sea, but however claims historical territorial sovereignty over the said islands despite the outstanding provision of the UNCLOS regarding the subject matter;

WHEREAS, the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA) that handled the case filed by the Philippines against China pertaining to China's persistent assertion of its territorial sovereignty over the islands finally released its decision regarding the controversial dispute on July 12, 2016:

**WHEREAS**, the said decision favored the Philippines and awarded the territorial sovereignty of the disputed islands to the Philippines;

**WHEREAS**, this august Body believes that the public, especially the young ones, necessarily be informed and start referring the said islands correctly as a form of expressing our sovereignty as enforced by the decision of the Permanent Arbitration Court;

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of Majority Floor Leader, Hon. JUDE THADDEUS DURANO SYBICO, duly seconded by Member, Hon. RAUL D. BACALTOS, for the approval of the resolution authored by Member, Hon. MIGUEL ANTONIO A. MAGPALE, be it

RESOLVED as it is hereby RESOLVED, to urge the Department of Education, Region VII (DepEd VII), and the Commission on Higher Education, Region VII (CHED VII) to consistently refer the sea that is situated on the west section of the country as "West Philippine Sea" and not as "South China Sea", and create academic awareness campaign thereof;

**RESOLVED FURTHER,** that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the Office of Governor Hilario P. Davide III, the Department of Education, Region VII (DepEd VII), and to the Commission on Higher Education, Region VII (CHED VII).

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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I hereby certify to the correctness of the aforeguoted resolution.

PULCHRA MARIE E. ACEVEDO & Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan &

APPROVED:

JEROME CHRISTIAN V. LIBRANDO Acting Vice Governor/Presiding Officer

Data Signed: JUI 2 8 2016