



MC NO. 05, s. 2004

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

TO : ALL HEADS OF CONSTITUTIONAL BODIES;
DEPARTMENTS, BUREAUS AND AGENCIES OF THE
NATIONAL GOVERNMENT; LOCAL GOVERNMENT
UNITS; GOVERNMENT-OWNED OR CONTROLLED
CORPORATIONS; AND STATE COLLEGES AND
UNIVERSITIES.

SUBJECT : Public Sector Volunteerism for Honest, Orderly and Peaceful
Elections (HOPE) 2004 Thru the Spirit of 100 Hours: Alay sa
Bayan.

Most recently, the Commission promulgated CSC Resolution No. 04-0065, dated January 27, 2004, the decretal portion of which reads:

"WHEREFORE, foregoing premises considered, the Civil Service Commission resolves as it is hereby resolved to adopt the following:

- 1. The Public Sector Volunteerism for Honest, Orderly and Peaceful Elections (HOPE) 2004 under the aegis of the Spirit of 100 Hours: Alay sa Bayan is activated;*
- 2. Government officials and employees are invited and encouraged to participate in the Program in accordance with the guidelines promulgated by the Commission; and*
- 3. All heads of departments and agencies are enjoined to allow their officials and employees to participate as volunteers for the NAMFREL and the PPCRV, subject to the above-mentioned guidelines."*

In this connection, all heads of departments and agencies are encouraged to participate in this project in accordance with the attached implementing guidelines and allow their respective officials and employees to act as volunteers.

KARINA CONSTANTINO-DAVID
Chairman

March 05, 2004

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RE: Public Sector Volunteerism for Honest, Orderly
and Peaceful Elections (HOPE) 2004 thru the
Spirit of 100 Hours: Alay sa Bayan

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RESOLUTION NO. 040065

WHEREAS, the forthcoming May 2004 national elections shall be a crucial turning point in the march of the Philippines towards national growth and development;

WHEREAS, the significance of the May 2004 elections in the country's development makes it imperative that the integrity of the electoral exercise be protected and maintained at all costs;

WHEREAS, the government, through the Commission on Elections (COMELEC), has been tapping the active support and assistance of various non-government organizations (NGOs) to help in the drive to promote clean, honest and orderly elections;

WHEREAS, the National Movement for Free Elections (NAMFREL) and the Parish Pastoral Council for Responsible Voting are recognized NGOs advocating non-partisan-involvement of concerned citizens before, during and after elections;

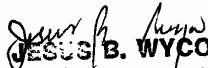
WHEREAS, the laudable mandate of the NAMFREL and the PPCRV deserves the support of volunteers from all sectors of society, who will join in the cause to protect the sanctity of the ballot in the May 2004 elections;

WHEREAS, the Civil Service Commission, pursuant to Republic Act No. 6713 or the Code of Conduct and Ethical Standards of Government Officials and Employees, has been promoting volunteerism in the government service through its Spirit of 100 Hours: Alay sa Bayan Program;

WHEREAS, the forthcoming May 2004 elections provide a significant opportunity for channeling the spirit of volunteerism;

WHEREAS, there is no prohibition against government officials and employees to volunteer their services to the NGOs recognized and accredited by the COMELEC like

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the NAMFREL and the PPCRV, provided that their voluntary participation shall not involve partisan political activity, as defined under pertinent laws and rules;

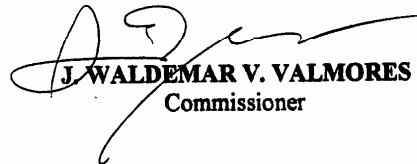
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Quezon City, JAN 27 2004


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JOSE F. ERESTAIN, JR.
Commissioner

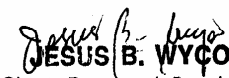

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