INTER-AGENCY COMMITTEE ON PHILIPPINE SCHOOLS OVERSEAS

Manila, Philippines

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2005

ON THE MATTER OF PERMITS ISSUED BY THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT TO PHILIPPINE SCHOOLS OVERSEAS

WHEREAS, the Inter-Agency Committee on Philippine Schools Overseas is mandated by Executive Order 252 to develop policies and guidelines for the establishment, operation, management, accreditation, and regulation of Philippine schools and educational programs overseas;

WHEREAS, Section 24, Article IV of the Manual of Policies and Regulations for Philippine Schools Overseas states that an educational institution can operate as an accredited institution only if authorized by the Department of Education;

WHEREAS, by virtue of accreditation, permit or recognition from the Philippine government, Philippine schools overseas are subject to relevant policies and regulations as embodied in Section 2, Section 18 and Section 19, among others, of the Manual of Policies and Regulations for Philippine Schools Overseas, and as Philippine institutions of learning, are also expected to observe other relevant policies, regulations or issuances from the Philippine government;

WHEREAS, Section 25 of the Manual of Policies and Regulations provides that the Department of Education may order the closure or termination of any program or course offered by a Philippine school overseas through the revocation or withdrawal of the permit or recognition previously issued to the school;

WHEREAS, during its meeting of 08 February 2005, the Inter-Agency Committee agreed to uphold the right of the Department of Education to revoke or withdraw permits or recognition given to schools for valid grounds;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as it is hereby resolved, that in addition to grounds stated in Section 26 of the Manual, the Department of Education may on its own initiative or on the recommendation of the Inter-Agency Committee, revoke the recognition or cancel the permit to operate issued to a Philippine school overseas if the school is found to be in violation of the provisions of the Manual of Policies and Regulations for Philippine Schools Overseas or such other applicable or relevant policies, regulations or issuances from the Philippine government;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the above provision shall be applied in accordance with administrative due process, and shall constitute an integral part of the Manual of Policies and Regulations for Philippine Schools Overseas.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 22nd day of March 2005, in Manila, Philippines.

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