

[MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 55, December 21, 2018]

Further to Proclamation Nos. 269 (s. 2017) and 555 (s. 2018) issued by the President declaring 25 December 2018 (Christmas Day) and 01 January 2019 (New Year's Day) as Regular Holidays, respectively, and Memorandum Circular No. 54 (s. 2018) suspending work in government offices on 02 January 2019, and in order to give the employees of the government full opportunity to celebrate the holidays with their families and loved ones, work in government offices throughout the country, including government-owned or -controlled corporations, government financial institutions, state universities and colleges, local government units, and other agencies and instrumentalities, is also suspended on 26 December 2018.

However, those agencies whose functions involve the delivery of basic and health services, preparedness/response to disasters and calamities, and/or the performance of other vital services shall continue with their operations and render the necessary services.

The suspension of work on the same date in other branches of government and in independent commissions or bodies, as well as in private companies and offices, is left to the sound discretion of their respective heads/management.

For information and guidance.

Manila, 21 December 2018.

By authority of the President:

(SGD.) **SALVADOR C. MEDIALDEA**
Executive Secretary



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