

[MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 66, August 27, 2004]

AUTHORIZING GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO ATTEND THE NATIONAL CONVENTION ON "CREATING THE NEW FILIPINO COMMUNITY IN THE 21ST CENTURY"

WHEREAS, in commemoration of the Urban Development Week declared under Proclamation No. 257 dated September 16, 2002, the National Real Estate Association (NREA) will be holding a National Convention & Exhibition on September 23-25, 2004 at SM Megatrade Hall, SM Megamall, EDSA, Mandaluyong City, with the theme: "Creating the New Filipino Community in the 21st Century". **WHEREAS**, the convention has been programmed to design a new Filipino community that is updated and responsive to the needs and requirements of the modern and progressive Philippines with emphasis on the implementation of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan (CLUP) mandated by the Local Government Code: **WHEREAS**, the presentations and discussions during the convention among the government officials and the private sector will push forward the government state of readiness in the implementation of the laws, rules and regulation on the matter and the private sectors major participation to achieve such goals. **NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDUARDO R. ERMITA**, Acting Executive Secretary, by authority of the President, do hereby order: **SECTION 1.** Heads of departments, bureaus, offices, agencies, including government-owned and/or controlled corporation and their subsidiaries, government financial institutions and local government units are enjoined to allow at least one (1) representative from their offices whose job is relevant to the convention to attend the convention on official time. **Sec. 2.** Government participants will attend the convention on official time with expenses allowable at rates prescribed in accordance with current COA, CSC and DBM policies chargeable against the funds of their respective offices, subject to the availability of funds and the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations. This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately. **DONE** in the City of Manila, this 27th of August, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four. By authority of the President: **(Sgd.) EDUARDO R. ERMITA** *Executive Secretary*



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