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GUIDELINES FOR ACCREDITATION OF WORKER'S ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ASSISTING IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DIRECT HOUSING LOAN FACILITY OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM

I. COVERAGE AND DEFINITIONS

These guidelines shall apply to workers' organizations seeking accreditation from the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) for the purpose of assisting in the implementation of the direct housing loan facility of the Social Security System (SSS).

For purposes of these guidelines, the following definitions are hereby adopted:

A. "Direct housing loan facility" refers to the facility established pursuant to Social Security Commission (SSC) Resolution 269 dated 05 April 2000 and the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) dated 1 May 2000, entered into by and between the SSS, the Housing and Urban Development Coordinating Council (HUDCC), the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), the Overseas Workers Welfare Administration, the Home Guaranty Corporation (HGC), and the Employers Confederation of the Philippines (ECOP). The SSC Resolution and the MOA are deemed incorporated as integral parts of these guidelines.

B. "Workers' organization" refers to any association of workers in the private sector or of overseas Filipino workers duly registered with the DOLE, the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), or the Cooperative Development Authority (CDA). It shall include any trade union center, federation, national union, local/chapter or independent union as defined in Book V of the Labor Code and its implementing rules, or any other association of workers which exists in whole or in part for collective bargaining or for the mutual aid and protection of its members.

C. "Accredited workers' organization" refers to any workers' organization certified by the DOLE, pursuant to these guidelines, to assist in the implementation of the direct housing loan facility through the following:

- 1) Screening and qualification of loan applicants, including credit investigation and documentation;
- 2) Monitoring of loan accounts and collection of loans; and