



Republic of the Philippines  
**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**  
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**MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR**  
**NO. 2009-174**

**TO :** CITY MAYORS, MUNICIPAL MAYORS, PUNONG BARANGAYS  
AND DILG REGIONAL DIRECTORS

**SUBJECT :** 1<sup>st</sup> NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF LEGISLATIVE BODIES

The Vice-Mayors League of the Philippines (VMLP) will conduct the 1<sup>st</sup> National Conference of Legislative Bodies, to be held on December 3-5, 2009 at the Waterfront Hotel, Lahug, Cebu City, with the theme *"Excellent Local Legislature a Cornerstone to Good Local Governance."*

As claimed, the said activity aims to gather members of local sanggunians to discuss and share issues relevant to local governance and countryside development.

Towards this end, and upon the request of Vice-Mayor Michael L. Rama, National President, VMLP, Local Chief Executives are encouraged to allow the members of their sanggunians to attend the said activity, on official business.

The payment of applicable traveling expenses and registration fee to defray the costs of hotel accommodation, meals and conference materials, may be authorized chargeable against local funds, subject to the availability thereof, and to the usual accounting and auditing requirements and to all pertinent laws, rules and regulations. Provided, that such traveling expenses and registration fees of local government participants shall not be charged against the 20% component of the Internal Revenue Allotment or from whatever source which may prejudice poverty alleviation efforts.

The VMLP National President shall submit to, through the Director of the Bureau of Local Government Supervision, the Secretary of Interior and Local Government, an After Activity Report within fifteen (15) days after the conduct of the said conference, with the following prescribed format:

- I. Executive Brief;
- II. List of Participants;
- III. Outputs of Technical Sessions;
- IV. Issues and Agreements or Recommendations, if any;
- V. Total Fees and Disbursements; and
- VI. Appendices, if any.

All DILG Regional Directors are hereby directed to cause the dissemination of this issuance to all local authorities within their jurisdictions.

For the information of all concerned.

By Authority of the Secretary:

**AUSTERE A. PANADERO**  
Undersecretary, LG