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TO

MUNICIPAL PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY MAYORS, MAYORS, PUNONG BARANGAYS AND DILG REGIONAL

DIRECTORS OF REGIONS III, IV-A AND NCR

SUBJECT

THREE-DAY NATIONAL RESEARCH FORUM IN HISTORY

In line with the mission of rekindling history and valuing culture among teachers, students, national and local government officials and the private sector within and outside Metro Manila, the Polytechnic University of the Philippines (PUP) Department of History will hold a 3-day National Research Forum in History, to be held on April 13 to 15, 2016 at the Bulwagang Bonifacio of the Ninoy Aquino Library and Learning Resources Center of the PUP Main Campus, with the theme, "Inter-cultural Exchanges and Local Transitions and Transformations in the Spanish Period."

The said research-forum shall be the PUP's response and contribution to widen public knowledge about inter-cultural borrowings between Spain and the Philippines through the tangible and intangible aspects of culture that can be seen in the various localities of the latter in the colonial period, and a good venue in fostering more researches and better instruction about local history and culture during the Spanish period in the academe. The seminar will attempt to achieve the following goals:

- 1. promote better understanding of the localities, through paper presentations and discussions on the factors and forces that shaped them since their humble beginnings until the present;
- 2. examine the roles and contributions of local history in national history and development:
- 3. provide rudiments of research and effective strategies in teaching local history; and
- 4. initiate the idea of developing the historical and cultural sites of these localities into travel destinations or landmarks.

In this connection, all Local Chief Executives concerned are encouraged to attend the said seminar, which is free of charge. The payment of transportation, per diems and other incidental expenses may be charged against their respective local funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

For further details, interested parties may coordinate with the Secretariat at thepuphistorian@yahoo.com or at (+63) 0925-6011097 and 0926-9749891.

The concerned DILG Regional Directors are also directed to cause the widest dissemination of this Memorandum Circular to LGUs within their respective areas of jurisdictions.

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