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TO : ALL LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS

SUBJECT : REITERATION OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9593 OR THE
"TOURISM ACT OF 2009", RULE 8 CHAPTER 1
SECTION 122 ACCREDITATION

In line with the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act No. 9593, "Primary Tourism Enterprises" (PTEs) such as hotels, resorts, inns and other accommodation establishments **are required to secure accreditation from the Department of Tourism (DOT)** for issuance of license or permit to operate.

Local government units (LGUs) have to ensure that all PTEs **have complied with and have obtained DOT accreditation** before operations.

Concerned LGUs will be notified by the DOT of failure of compliance of respective PTEs, and will have to issue necessary closure orders should PTEs fail to rectify the same.

Please be guided accordingly.


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