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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR
No. 2019-121

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TO : ALL PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY AND MUNICIPAL MAYORS, PUNONG BARANGAYS, HEADS OF LOCAL SANGGUNIANs, DILG REGIONAL DIRECTORS, BARMM REGIONAL GOVERNOR, AND ALL OTHER CONCERNED

SUBJECT : PRESIDENTIAL DIRECTIVE DURING THE 4TH STATE OF THE NATION ADDRESS OF THE PRESIDENT TO CLEAR ROADS OF ILLEGAL STRUCTURES AND CONSTRUCTIONS

In line with the President's directive during the 2019 State of the Nation Address, all local officials are enjoined to exercise their powers essential to reclaim public roads which are being used for private ends and in the process, rid them of illegal structures and constructions. Local governments are also to cause rehabilitation of all recovered public roads by placing street names and street lights, among others. They are likewise encouraged to develop and implement strategies that will address the displacement issues cause by the implementation of this directives.

Relatedly, local chief executives are hereby directed to revoke permits that give authority to private entities to occupy public roads, alleys and other thoroughfares. Prudence must also be observed in placing street signs and signages to avoid exacerbating problems on obstructions. Moreover, local sanggunians are enjoined to revisit ordinances and similar legislative measures to ensure responsiveness to this presidential directive and consistency with related laws and policies.

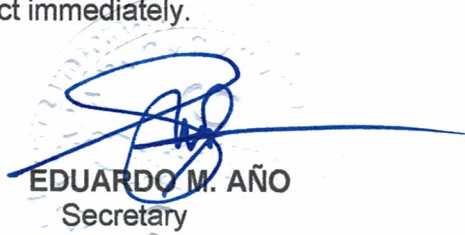
For strategic implementation of this Circular, all provinces, highly urbanized cities (HUCs), cities and municipalities shall prepare an inventory of all roads within its jurisdiction. To help their component Local Government Units, Provincial Governments shall share their Local Roads Network Development Plan which provides a Geographic Information System-based roads network map. LGUs must ensure immediate and effective implementation of road clearing operations.

Within 60 calendar days, significant results must be achieved, documented, and reported together with the efforts of the LGUs to sustain the same.

All Department of the Interior and Local and Government (DILG) Regional Offices and the BARMM Regional Governor shall submit a weekly progress report on this matter to the Office of the Secretary through the Bureau of Local Government Supervision (email address: blgs.od2016@gmail.com) for the first three months of the effectivity of this circular and quarterly reports thereafter.

In case of non-compliance, appropriate administrative cases shall be filed pursuant to Section 60 (c) of the Local Government Code of 1991 and other existing laws and policies. Corollary thereto, it must also be the responsibility of all Local Chief Executives to exact accountability and impose corresponding sanctions, after observance of due process, against non-supportive and/or non-compliant local officials and employees.

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately.



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Secretary

