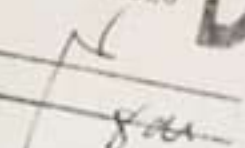



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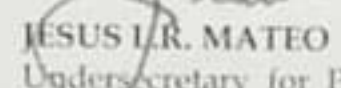
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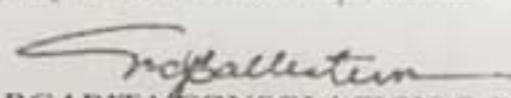
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MEMORANDUM

FOR : ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS

ATTENTION : SDOs with SPED Centers

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JESUS L.R. MATEO  
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SUBJECT : Invitation to the ASEAN Month Webinar Series

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The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) was established on August 8, 1967 through the signing of the ASEAN Declaration (Bangkok Declaration). The Foreign Ministers of Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, and Thailand signed the original Declaration and was later on joined by Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar and Viet Nam to form the ASEAN Member States that we have now.

By virtue of Proclamation No. 282 dated July 31, 2018 (Amending Proclamation no. 1008 dated May 21, 1997) declaring the month of August of every year as "ASEAN Month" and CSC Memorandum Circular No. 013 dated July 8, 2019 enjoining all government agency heads to include the singing of the ASEAN Anthem and sharing of information on ASEAN in all flag raising ceremonies within August of every year beginning 2019, the International Cooperation Office is organizing an ASEAN Month celebration this August 2020. However, due to the current situation brought by the COVID-19 pandemic, all forms of celebration are to be hosted virtually.

In line with this, the International Cooperation Office will be conducting the ASEAN Month Webinar Series with the theme: *"Forging a Responsive ASEAN Community: Ensuring Inclusive Education amidst COVID-19."* The following are the list of webinars to be conducted in celebration of the 53<sup>rd</sup> founding anniversary of ASEAN:

| Webinar Title                                     | Date and Time          |
|---|------------------------|
| Navigating Special Education in the New Normal    | 12 August 2020, 9-11AM |
| Exploring Popular ASEAN Delicacies                | 19 August 2020, 9-11AM |
| Promoting ASEAN Heritage Parks in the Philippines | 26 August 2020, 9-11AM |

in this regard, we would like to invite you and interested participants from your region to the abovementioned webinar series. This event is free and open to all and will be hosted via Zoom and Facebook live. Further, we would like to emphasize that participants from Schools Division Offices with SPED Centers would be highly appreciated for the first webinar.

For interested participants, registration is available at the following links:

| Webinar Title                                     | Registration Link   | Registration Period |
|---|---|---------------------|
| Navigating Special Education in the New Normal    | <a href="https://tiny.cc/ASEANMonthWebinar1">tiny.cc/ASEANMonthWebinar1</a> | 10-11 August 2020   |
| Exploring Popular ASEAN Delicacies                | <a href="https://tiny.cc/ASEANMonthWebinar2">tiny.cc/ASEANMonthWebinar2</a> | 14-18 August 2020   |
| Promoting ASEAN Heritage Parks in the Philippines | <a href="https://tiny.cc/ASEANMonthWebinar3">tiny.cc/ASEANMonthWebinar3</a> | 21-25 August 2020   |

Thank you very much.

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