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DR. CARLITO D. ROCAFORT, Director III

Officer-In-Charge – Regional Director,
Department of Education – 12

Attention: DR. RUTH L. ESTACIO, CESO VI
Officer In-Charge - Schools Division Superintendent,
Division of South Cotabato, Department of Education – 12

Dear **Dr. Carlito**:

Greetings of peace!

Equal Access International (EAI) Philippines is grateful to partner with the Department of Education – 12 in the implementation of the **“Communities and Schools Leading in the Fight against Terrorism” (CS-LIFT) Project**. An integrated social and behavioral change (SBC) - informed intervention to disrupt terrorist and violent extremist influence and propaganda in Philippines. Through CS-LIFT, we aim to build the capacity of youth networks, schools, teachers, religious leaders, and the media to reduce the appeal of terrorist recruitment and radicalization efforts.

As part of the project, EAI-PH has developed a 12-session learning material for integration in the Grade 10-Edukasyon sa Pagpapakatao curriculum labelled as the ‘CS-LIFT Toolkit’ that includes self-learning modules, audio components, reflection points and activities that follows the DepEd Basic Education-Learning Continuity Plan (BE-LCP).

In order to ensure the capacity of our educators in delivering the lessons and activities in the toolkit, we will be conducting a **two-day training of teachers for CS-LIFT pilot schools**. Aside from the toolkit lessons, our teachers will also be introduced to the present conflict situation in Mindanao and its effects to education, peace education pedagogies for adolescent learners, and basic child safeguarding concepts. This will be on **September 23-24, 2021 at Cotabato City**. Moreover, each pilot school will receive support in the form of a tablet computer, portable speaker, printer, reams of bond paper, and ink. All of these together with the printed CS-LIFT Toolkit.

We also highly appreciate your presence in the distribution ceremony on September 24, 2021 and receive a complimentary Kit for your office.

Along this line and for easy implementation of the training program, we would like to request your good office to issue a memorandum order to this effect. Attached is the proposed content of the memorandum and minimum requirements for selection of **two (2) teacher-participants from the pilot school**.

Moreover, we would like to request your office to grant travel approval to the selected teachers. EAIPH will shoulder Transportation, Food, Per Diem and Accommodation allowances for the two-day event.

Thank you very much and we look forward to your favorable response. Our project coordinator, Mr. Adam Anay (aanay@equalaccess.org) will be coordinating with your office on matters relating to the event.

Sincerely,



Joel Dizon
Program Manager, Equal Access PH

DepEd 12 Memorandum Order

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Attention: Division of South Cotabato

The Department of Education-12, in partnership with Equal Access International Philippines and the Ministry of Basic, Higher and Technical Education (MBHTE) will hold the **“Communities and Schools Leading in the Fight against Terrorism” (CS-LIFT) Toolkit Orientation for Teachers** on September 23-24, 2021 at Cotabato City, BARMM.

The CS-LIFT Toolkit is an education-based, behavior change approach to enhance the capacity of school-aged youth to think critically about terrorist narratives and reduce early aged recruitment and radicalization which is embedded in the Grade 10- Edukasyon sa Pagpapakatao curriculum.

The CS-LIFT Toolkit Orientation for Teachers hopes for teacher-participants to achieve the following objectives:

- a. Recognize the PCVE context in Mindanao and its effects to school children;
- b. Discuss current concepts on peace education and effective teaching strategies;
- c. Demonstrate the use of lesson exemplars in the CS-LIFT Toolkit;
- d. Design implementation plans to integrate CS-LIFT toolkit to classroom instruction.

The orientation will cover sixteen (16) hours of training.

Teacher-participants must have the following minimum requirements:

- Teaches ESP for at least 2 years already
- Basic understanding of Peace Education
- Familiar with Distance Learning Approach
- Will be handling an ESP subject/class for S.Y. 2021-2022

As such, the above-mentioned division are required to:

1. submit names of the two participating teachers from pilot school to EAIPH via email and proof of accomplished online Teacher's Profile Form (Link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdNoWp7GdqAXaAs_unrF36cXa9nO28P1a6hhMWrtDX8IT7WIA/viewform?usp=sf_link)
2. send the selected teachers to attend the 16-hour orientation program with EAIPH at Cotabato City, BARMM.

The division office is required to submit the names of the selected teachers to aanay@equalaccess.org on or before September 10, 2021. Selected teachers are required to accomplish the online Teacher Profile form on the same date.

Teachers and personnel who have been accepted to be part of the training program are authorized to attend said event on official business.

Thank you once again for your valuable support.