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TO : Heads of Departments, Bureaus, Offices and Agencies of the National Government including State Universities and Colleges, Government Owned and/or Controlled Corporations, Government Financial Institutions, and Local Government Units

SUBJECT : Procurement Activities during the 2010 Barangay and SK Elections

1.0 Purpose

This Circular is being issued to clarify the conduct of procurement activities during the election ban for the Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Elections to be held on 25 October 2010.

2.0 Coverage

All departments, bureaus, offices and agencies of the national government including state universities and colleges, government-owned and/or controlled corporations, government financial institutions, and local government units (LGUs).

3.0 Guidance on Procurement Activities

- 3.1 Procurement through public bidding or any of the alternative methods may be undertaken and completed during the period of election ban identified by the Commission on Elections (COMELEC), **except** for those prohibited in Section 3.2 below.
- 3.2 Procurement for public works, social projects, and housing-related projects are prohibited during the period of election ban, **except** for those specifically identified in the Omnibus Election Code or the relevant COMELEC issuance.
- 3.3 While public bidding for those prohibited items under Section 3.2 above may be conducted, the procuring entity shall withhold the issuance of the Notice of Award during the period of election ban.

4.0 This Circular shall take effect immediately.

5.0 For guidance and compliance.

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