



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
 NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION



January 6, 2025

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. 016, s. 2025

To: Schools Division Superintendents
 Schools Governance and Operations Division Chiefs
 Division Learner Rights and Protection Focal Persons
 All Others Concerned

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON THE DEPARTMENT'S INITIATIVES TO PROMOTE AND DESIGNATE SCHOOLS AS SAFE SPACES

1. This is relative to the attached Memorandum OULLA-2024-1610 from **ATTY. FILEMON RAY L. JAVIER**, Undersecretary for Legal and Legislative Affairs, Department of Education, dated November 12, 2024 relative to the request for information on the Department's initiatives to promote and designate schools as safe spaces in compliance with Republic Act No. 11313 or the Safe Spaces Act.
2. In this regard, this Office respectfully requests the submission of initiatives and related activities showcasing the best practices for the elimination of violence against women and children in compliance with Republic Act No. 11313, also known as the "*Safe Spaces Act or Bawal Bastos Law*." The submission is on or before January 15, 2025 through Google Drive link: <https://tinyurl.com/Space-Space>.
4. Immediate compliance to this Memorandum is desired.


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MEMORANDUM

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**FOR : UNDERSECRETARIES
ASSISTANT SECRETARIES
REGIONAL DIRECTORS
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED**

FROM : ATTY. FILEMON RAY L. JAVIER
Undersecretary for Legal and Legislative Affairs

**SUBJECT : REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON THE DEPARTMENT'S
INITIATIVES TO PROMOTE AND DESIGNATE SCHOOLS AS
SAFE SPACES**

DATE : November 12, 2024

This is to transmit the request for information of Senator Risa Hontiveros, dated November 4, 2024, on:

1. the Department's initiatives and compliance with its obligations under Republic Act No. 11313 or the Safe Spaces Act, and
2. any ongoing or planned activities and initiatives to promote or designate schools as safe spaces.

Accordingly, we appreciate the submission to the Legislative Liaison Office of the requested information no later than **November 18, 2024**.

Should there be any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us at 8631-9641 or via email at legis@deped.gov.ph.

Your preferential attention on this matter is highly appreciated.



Risa Hontiveros
Senator

AKBAYAN CITIZENS' ACTION PARTY

4 November 2024

SECRETARY JUAN EDGARDO "SONNY" M. ANGARA
Office of the Secretary
Department of Education

Dear **Secretary Sonny Angara:**

Greetings!

During the recent Senate budget hearing, I raised concerns in relation to the Safe Spaces Act.

May we kindly follow up on the Department of Education's initiatives in relation to its obligations under the Safe Spaces Act? Additionally, we would like to request information on whether there are any ongoing or planned initiatives to promote or designate schools as safe spaces.

I look forward to your response. Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Risa Hontiveros - Saraquel
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