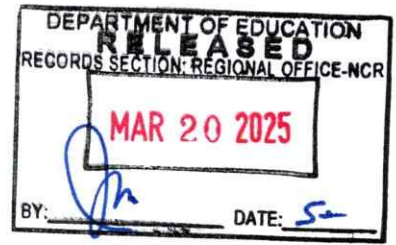




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**Department of Education**  
NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION



Advisory No. 19 s, 2025  
March 20, 2025

**Request for Participation of Selected Personnel to the ASSERT National Council Meeting**

In reference to the attached Memorandum OM-OUPS-2025-12-01625 dated March 12, 2025 from **Malcolm S. Garma**, Assistant Secretary, Officer-In-Charge, Office of the Undersecretary for Operations, the field is hereby informed of the above-captioned subject.

**JOCELYN DR ANDAYA**  
Regional Director, NCR  
concurrent Officer-In-Charge, Office of the  
Assistant Secretary for Operations



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OFFICE OF THE UNDERSECRETARY FOR OPERATIONS

**MEMORANDUM**

**OM-OUOPS-2025-12-01628**

**TO : REGIONAL DIRECTORS**  
*(Regions III, IV-A, and NCR)*

**FROM : MALCOLM S. GARMA**  
*Assistant Secretary, Office in Charge,  
 Office of the Undersecretary for Operations*



**SUBJECT : REQUEST FOR PARTICIPATION OF SELECTED PERSONNEL TO  
 THE ASSERT NATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING**

**DATE : March 12, 2025**

This pertains to the letter from the Action and Solidarity for the Empowerment of Teachers (ASSERT), dated March 6, 2025, regarding their request for the participation of selected personnel to the ASSERT National Council Meeting on March 21, 2025 at Christ the King Seminary, Quezon City.

As stated in the letter, the meeting aims to discuss the current issues and concerns of teachers, highlights of the Education Committee Year 2 report, and the drafting of the campaign and organizational plan.

In view of the aforementioned, this Office respectfully endorses the matter, for your review and evaluation, subject to the provisions of DepEd Order No. 1, s. 2023 and other relevant rules and regulations of the Department of Education.

Kindly see attached file, for your reference and immediate action.

Enclosure: as stated

**Copy furnished:**  
**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**  
*Department of Education.*



**March 6, 2025**

**HON. EDGARDO "SONNY" ANGARA**

Secretary

Department of Education

DepEd Complex, Meralco Ave.

Pasig City, Metro Manila, Philippines

**Subject:** Request for Issuance of Memorandum for Official Business Attendance – Assert National Council Meeting

**Dear Secretary Angara,**

Greetings! We hope this letter finds you well.

Assert is a national federation of teachers' associations and unions, with Assert Central Luzon Union as its largest member representing around 110,000 teaching force. As part of our commitment to advancing the welfare of teachers and contributing to the improvement of the education sector, we will be holding our **National Council Meeting on March 21, 2025, from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM at Christ the King Seminary**. The meeting will be attended by our **Executive Officers** and representatives from the **National Capital Region and CALABARZON**.

In this regard, we respectfully request your good office to allow the following participants to attend the said meeting **on official business**. Furthermore, we seek administrative support through the issuance of a **memorandum**, which will serve as their **authority to travel** and allow expenses related to their attendance to be charged against **school funds/canteen funds** as appropriate.

**List of Participants:**

1. **Arlene James S. Pagaduan** – Balsik National High School, Division of Bataan
2. **Vilma B. Liao** – Cutcut Elementary School, Division of Angeles City
3. **Jovita Toledo** – Prenza Elementary School, Division of Bulacan
4. **Edelwisa R. Puri** – Pres. Corazon "Cory" Aquino Senior High School, Division of Manila
5. **Alfie Badilla** – Pinagbuhatan High School, Division of Pasig
6. **Eugene Sierra** – Mambugan National High School, Division of Antipolo

**Meeting Agenda:**

1. Current issues and concerns of teachers
2. Highlights of the Education Committee Year 2 Report
3. Drafting of the Campaign and Organizational Plan

Given the pressing concerns within our ranks, this meeting is essential to ensuring that Assert remains a strong partner of the Department of Education in addressing these issues effectively.

We sincerely hope for your favorable consideration of our request. Should you require any further details, please feel free to contact us.

Thank you, and we look forward to your positive response.

**Respectfully yours,**

*Handwritten signature*

ARLENE JAMES S. PAGADUAN  
President  
Assert National Federation