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### ANNOUNCEMENT

**TO : ALL HEADS OF CONSTITUTIONAL BODIES, NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES (NGAs), LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (LGUs), GOVERNMENT-OWNED AND CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS WITH ORIGINAL CHARTERS (GOCCs), AND STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES (SUCs)**

**SUBJECT : GAAO: STEERING THROUGH THE WAVES OF CHANGE IN ASEAN INTEGRATION**

The Government Administrators and Administrative Officers of the Philippines, Inc. (GAAO Phil, Inc.) will hold 6-day institutional visits and focused group discussions with Vietnamese government employees as well as their counterparts from the private and civil society sectors with the theme "GAAO: STEERING THROUGH THE WAVES OF CHANGE IN ASEAN INTEGRATION" at Bayview Park Hotel, Manila and Liberty Hotel Saigon Greenview, Vietnam on May 23-28, 2016.

The program is GAAO's pioneering endeavor which will require participants to cross boundaries and promote "people to people interaction", primarily with government, private and civil society sectors in ASEAN countries.

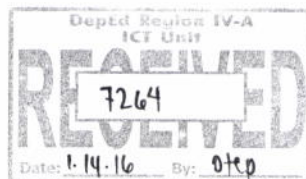
Participants in this program are expected to achieve the following:

- Promote dialogue and partnership among ASEAN civil servants and other stakeholders to foster and enable new ideas, concepts and methods with a view to enhance transparency, accountability, participatory and effective governance;
- Acquire best practices on good governance and public service delivery, including, but not limited to, the use of e-government and relevant social media among the civil servants of ASEAN member states; and
- Promote greater interaction between ASEAN initiatives on moderation and tolerance, such as Inter-faith Dialogue, in order to develop synergies and build partnerships.

All government employees concerned are encouraged to participate in this program. It is discretionary on the part of the agency heads to allow their officials and employees to attend the subject occasion on official business/time, as provided for under CSC Memorandum Circular No. 43, s. 1993.

For inquiries, you may get in touch with Ms. Victoria S. Estrada, Founding Chairperson, GAAO Phil. Inc., at mobile no. 0998-5106614 or email: gaaophi@yahoo.com.

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Chairperson

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# GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATORS AND ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS OF THE PHIL. INC.

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**Attn: Administrator/Administrative Officer**

**Dear GAAOnian:**

Warm greetings from GAAO Phil. Inc.

The Government Administrators and Administrative Officers of the Phil. Inc. (GAAO Phil. Inc.) announces a 6-day institutional visits and focused group discussion with Vietnam government civil servants, private and civil society sector and educational observation on the theme "**GAAO Phil: Steering through the Waves of Change in ASEAN Integration**" at Bayview Park Hotel, Manila and Liberty Hotel Saigon Greenview, Vietnam, on May 23 to 28, 2016.

Participants are government administrators, administrative officers, assistants, officer-in-charge/designate for administrative service, personnel performing administrative functions, resource management group and GAAO members.

Please be informed that an authority for the participant attendance on official business to claim a registration fee of Php 7,200.00 and travel allowance from point of origin to Manila and return was submitted to Chairperson Alicia R. Bala, Civil Service Commission.

**It is understood that the economy package of Php 42,520.00 will be the sole responsibility of the participant concerned.**

Attached herewith is the rationale and objectives of this activity and CSC Announcement No. 01, dated January 07, 2016.

**Please confirm your reservation now to [gaaophi@yahoo.com](mailto:gaaophi@yahoo.com) until February 15, 2016 only.** Please contact the Secretariat at CP# 09985106614 for inquiries. Hope to see you during the registration at 2:00pm at Bayview Park Hotel on May 23, 2016.

Very truly yours,

**VIRGINIA M. FERRER, DBA**  
President



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### Package Inclusions:

- PAL roundtrip airfare Manila –Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam – Manila
- All airline taxes including Phil travel tax
- Terminal fee
- Dedicated Check-in counter at the airport
- Private roundtrip airport transfers
- Full-board meals with (1) round soft drinks
- One (1) dinner cruise with (1) round soft drinks
- To promote people to people interaction with government, private and civil society sectors to the following places:  
Ho Chi Minh City / Cu Chi and Tay Ninh / Mekong Delta / Vietnam National University
- Courtesy Call to Philippine and Vietnam Embassies
- Daily bottled water on board bus
- Services of an English speaking guide
- Admission fees as per itinerary
- Travel insurance
- Hotel portorage / Tipping

May 24	PR 591	Manila = Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam	ETD 0650	ETA 0830
May 28	PR592	Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam = Manila	ETD 0930	ETA 1315

Liberty Hotel Saigon Greenview  
187 Pham Ngu Lao Street  
Distrit 1, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

### IMPORTANT REMINDER

Philippine Airline and Liberty Saigon Hotel Greenview required us to submit names of our participants on February 20, 2016 to ensure our reservation for PAL seat & hotel accommodations;

1. Please confirm your reservation now to [gaaophi@yahoo.com](mailto:gaaophi@yahoo.com) until February 15, 2016 only. Each participant will be required to pay a non-refundable reservation fee of Php 1,000.00. This amount will be deducted upon full payment of your registration fee;
2. Terms of payment: **Php 50%** = Deposit not later than February 28, 2016  
**Php 50%** = Full Payment not later than April 15, 2016
3. All payments must be deposited to GAAO Phil. Inc.  
**PNB Account No.: 614330200010, Lingayen, Pangasinan**
4. Check-in Bayview Hotel Manila May 23, 2016 2:00 pm. Opening Program at 5:30pm
5. Updated Passport



**“GAAO: STEERING THROUGH THE WAVES OF CHANGE IN ASEAN INTEGRATION”**

“The ASEAN Vision 2020, adopted by the ASEAN Leaders on the 30th Anniversary of ASEAN, agreed on a shared vision of ASEAN as a concert of Southeast Asian nations, outward looking, living in peace, stability and prosperity, bonded together in partnership in dynamic development and in a community of caring societies.”

“The ASEAN Community is comprised of three pillars namely ASEAN Political – Security Community (APSC) , ASEAN Economic Community (AEC) and ASEAN – Cultural community (ACC) .And each pillar has its own blueprint which form the roadmap for ASEAN Community 2009-2015.”

The APSC blueprint adopted in 2009 consolidated more than four decades of ASEAN political-security cooperation in the most comprehensive and concrete manner, with the aim to ensure that the peoples and member states of ASEAN live in peace with one another and with the world at large in a just, democratic and harmonious environment.

One of the several action point in the APSC blueprint, is to “*Strengthen democracy, good governance, the rule of law, promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms and combat corruption.*”

It is on this light that the Government Association of Administrative Officers (GAAO), with 500 members and increasing, would like to spearhead and steer their members through the waves of change that is sweeping Southeast Asia in particular in the promotion of good governance and best practices in civil service.

This pioneering endeavour will require the participants to cross boundaries and promote “people to people interaction”, primarily with various sectors of government, private sector and civil society in ASEAN countries.

Hence, the GAAO plans to conduct a series of ASEAN regional activities with institutional visits and focused group discussion with Vietnam government counterpart.

**Objectives:**

Through these initiatives, GAAO participants are expected to achieve the following objectives;

1. Promote dialogue and partnership among ASEAN governments civil sand other stakeholders to foster and enable new ideas, concepts and methods with a view to enhance transparency, accountability, participatory and effective governance;
2. Acquire best practices on good governance and public service delivery, including , but not limited to , the use of e-government and relevant social media among the civil servants of ASEAN member states.
3. Promote greater interaction between ASEAN initiatives on moderation and tolerance, such as Inter-faith Dialogue, in order to develop synergies and build partnerships.