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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS
OFFICE OF THE MINISTER
MANILA

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SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF BATAS
PAMBANSA BLG. 344.

TO: All Regional Directors, District City/Municipal
Engineers/Building Officials, the BRDS and all
concerned.

Batas Pambansa Blg. 344 an Act to enhance the Mobility of
Disabled Persons by Requiring certain Buildings, Institutions,
Establishments and Public Utilities to Install Facilities and
other Devices, which was signed by the President last February 25,
1983 is now in full force 30 days after the publication of its
Implementing Rules and Regulations in the Official Gazette last
September 3, 1984.

In connection with the implementation of said law you are
hereby furnished copies of the Official Gazette containing the
Implementing Rules and Regulations of BP Blg. 344 for your guidance.

Pursuant to said law, no building permit shall be issued for
the construction, repair or renovation of public and private build-
ings for public use, educational institutions, airports, sports and
recreation centers and complexes, shopping centers or establishments,
public parking places and such other places as classified in the
Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) unless the owner thereof
shall install and incorporate in such building, establishment or ins-
titution such architectural facilities or structural features as
shall reasonably enhance the mobility of disabled persons such as
sidewalks, ramps, railings and such other devices as provided in the
IRR. In case of streets and highways, same shall be provided with such
facilities or features for disabled persons also as described and
provided in the same IRR.

The Manpower Development Service with the technical assistance
of the Building Research and Development Staff (BRDS) shall conduct
a continuing information campaign to acquaint all enforcing officers
and attached agencies of this Ministry on the provisions of said law.

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Said offices shall coordinate with the National Commission Concerning Disabled Persons (NCCDP) and in consonance with the attached National Plan of Action for CY 1985 on the implementation of B.P. Blg. 344.

For compliance.



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Minister