

## REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY MANILA

SEL# 1669

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SUBJECT: SUSPENSION OF PROCUREMENT AND EMPLOYMENT OF CORPORATIONS AS CONSULTANTS FOR LOCALLY FUNDED PROJECTS.

Pursuant to Section 24 of Republic Act No. 544, "An Act to Regulate the Practice of Civil Engineering in the Philippines," Section 34 of Republic Act No. 545 ", An Act to Regulate the Practice of Architecture in the Philippines" and Section 28 of Republic Act No. 4374, "An Act to Regulate the Practice of Geodetic Engineering in the Philippines", procurement and employment of corporations as consultants for locally funded projects is hereby suspended.

However, for foreign assisted projects provided the provisions of the corresponding guidelines for the use of consultants by borrowers (Philippines) authorizes corporate practice, such provision prevails over the provision of any local law to the contrary in line with the opinion of the Secretary of Justice in opinion No. 119.

This order shall take effect immediately.

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Secretary