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TO:

ALL FAMILY COURTS AND CONCERNED REGIONAL TRIAL COURTS

SUBJECT :

APPROVED RESOLUTION NO. 02-2017 OF THE COMMITTEE ON FAMILY COURTS AND JUVENILE CONCERNS (RE: PROPOSED GUIDELINES AND CLARIFICATION IN THE INTERPRETATION AND APPLICATION OF PERTINENT PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8552 [DOMESTIC ADOPTION ACT OF 1998], REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8043 [THE INTER- COUNTRY ADOPTION ACT OF 1995], REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9523 [ACT REQUIRING CERTIFICATION OF THE DSWD TO DECLARE A "CHILD LEGALLY AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION" AS PREREQUISITE FOR ADOPTION PROCEEDINGS], AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER NO. 02-6-02-SC [RULE ON ADOPTION], AS TO THE REQUIRED DOCUMENTS IN ADOPTION)

For the information, guidance and strict compliance of all Family Courts and concerned Regional Trial Courts, appended herein as Annex "A" is the Committee on Family Courts and Juvenile Concerns (CFCJC) Resolution No. 02-2017: "Proposed Guidelines and Clarification in the Interpretation and Application of Pertinent Provisions of Republic Act No. 8552 (Domestic Adoption Act of 1998), Republic Act No. 8043 (The Inter-Country Adoption Act of 1995), Republic Act No. 9523 (Act Requiring Certification of the DSWD to Declare a 'Child Legally Available For Adoption' as Prerequisite For Adoption Proceedings), and Administrative Matter No. 02-6-02-SC (Rule On Adoption), As to the Required Documents in Adoption." The resolution was approved during the meeting of the CFCJC and its Technical Working Group on 14 July 2017.

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