

SUBJECTING ONLY NON-ACCREDITED PRIVATE SCHOOLS FOR INSTITUTIONAL QUALITY ASSURANCE MONITORING AND EVALUATION

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WHEREAS, the Philippine Accrediting Association of Schools, Colleges and Universities (PAASCU) has been in existence for many years and has acquired a good reputation for accreditation;

WHEREAS, the Commission on Higher Education established the Institutional Quality Assurance Monitoring and Evaluation (IQUAME) in 2005 for regulation purposes;

WHEREAS, there is a duplication of functions between PAASCU and IQUAME;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA M. ARROYO, President of the Philippines, by the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. The Commission on Higher Education shall only subject private schools not accredited by the Philippine Accrediting Association of Schools, Colleges and Universities (PAASCU) for Institutional Quality Assurance Monitoring and Evaluation (IQUAME).

Section 2. Colleges and universities accreditation by PAASCU shall be automatically recognized as accredited by IQUAME.

Section 3. IQUAME shall be a tool not only for regulation but also for incentives for accredited colleges and universities.

DONE in Manila on this 2nd day of January in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eight.

(Sgd.) GLORIA M. ARROYO

By the President:

(Sgd.) EDUARDO R. ERMITA

Executive Secretary

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