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TO : ALL EXECUTIVE JUDGES AND JUDGES OF THE FIRST AND SECOND LEVEL COURTS

SUBJECT : DUTY ON BARANGAY ELECTION DAY

The Commission on Elections (COMELEC) in a letter dated October 26, 2007 requests that judges open their courts on Monday, October 29, 2007 for possible big number of arrests for varied election offenses.

In this connection, you are hereby DIRECTED to report to your respective stations on Monday, October 29, 2007. In RTC multiple sala stations, the Executive Judge shall assign one of the Presiding Judges of the branch. In multiple sala first level courts, the presiding judge of the designated special court to try and decide election contests involving elective barangay officials pursuant to Administrative Order No. 129-2007 dated August 15, 2007 shall report on duty. If there are two or more special courts, the Executive Judge shall assign by raffle one of the Presiding Judges thereat.

The Clerk of Court shall maintain a skeletal force to receive payment of legal fees or cash bonds or any other bonds that maybe posted for any election offenses.

For strict compliance.

October 26, 2007.

(Sgd)REYNATO S. PUNO

Chief Justice

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS
Intramuros, Manila

26 October 2007

THE COURT ADMINISTRATOR
SUPREME COURT
Padre Fauna, Ermita, Manila

Sir/Madam:

In connection with the 29 October 2007 Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Elections, which the Office of the President issued Proclamation No. 1403 dated 16 October 2007, declaring Monday, October 29, 2007 as Special (Non-Working) holiday throughout the country, may we request that Judges open their courts on said date. There is need for the Judges that their Courts be open on that date for possible big number of arrests for varied election offenses.

On behalf of the Commission, please accept our appreciation for your continuous invaluable support in the conduct of free, orderly and credible that enhance the political, stability and socio-economic progress of our country.

We could not ask for more from you and the Supreme Court, as our very indispensable partners in public service.

Very truly yours,

(Sgd.)RESURRECCION Z. BORRA

Acting Chairman

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Director Eduardo D. Mejos, FSD

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