

Office of the President
of the Philippines
Malacañang

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 75

ENJOINING GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS FROM ENDORSING REQUESTS FOR TRAVEL
TAX EXEMPTIONS

One of the major thrusts of the administration as emphasized in various policy pronouncements is the generation of funds for vital and urgent projects through, among other things, intensified tax collection.

In the pursuit of this objective, this Office has had the occasions to repeatedly deny requests coming from both the public and the private sectors for exemption from the travel tax, which revenue is used to finance tourism - related projects. This notwithstanding, requests or even endorsements for such exemptions are continually being submitted to this Office by some government functionaries.

More than anybody else, government officials are expected to give their share, directly or indirectly, in the attainment of government's objective. For this reason, and considering that processing of requests for travel tax exemption takes valuable time and resources which could otherwise be devoted to more pressing and productive endeavors, government officials, including those who are not expressly entitled to the privilege, are hereby enjoined from endorsing or recommending to this Office the grant of travel tax exemptions for themselves, their subordinates, or any other group or entity.

This Memorandum Circular takes effect immediately

By authority of the President



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