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MEMORANDUM

TO : ALL BOC OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

FROM : BIENVENIDO Y. RUBIO
Commissioner



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SUBJECT : CALL FOR NOMINATIONS TO THE ASSOCIATION OF
SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS (ASEAN) PRIZE 2023

DATE : 09 March 2023

The Department of Foreign Affairs, Office of ASEAN Affairs, has launched the call for nominations for the ASEAN Prize 2023 from 20 February to 28 April 2023.

Consistent with the Bureau's efforts in recognizing offices/employees that have continuously showed dedication in their drive to promote harmony and sustainable development while forging a stronger ASEAN identity, all employees are strongly encouraged to submit their nominations re the above-mentioned subject.

Listed below are the requirements for the Philippines' candidate/s to qualify for the ASEAN Prize 2023. Kindly note that the ASEAN Prize will **not consider** self-nominations and posthumous submissions. The criteria are as follows:

- a. Filipino citizen or an organization created or led by the Philippines;
- b. Nominee must show verifiable achievements in promoting intra-ASEAN collaboration and the impact on ASEAN;
- c. Nominee must share future plans for continuing work after winning the Prize; and
- d. Submission must be supported by one (1) character reference attesting to the nominee's suitability to receive the ASEAN Prize.

Also, candidates who have demonstrated notable work that fulfills at least one (1) of the following actions enumerated below, are strongly encouraged to submit their application:

- a. Outstanding collaboration between ASEAN Member States ("AMSs");
- b. Outstanding collaboration between ASEAN and the world;
- c. Outstanding people-to-people engagement among AMSs;
- d. Outstanding economic integration and promotion of standards between AMSs;
- or
- e. Other outstanding contributions to ASEAN Community Building.

Kindly submit your nominations (form attached as "Annex A") to the EAO on or before **21 April 2023** via email to external.affairs@customs.gov.ph and wilnora.cawile@customs.gov.ph or directly to the External Affairs Office for the consolidation of data prior to submission to the Department of Foreign Affairs.

For your appropriate action.