[MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 54, December 17, 2018]

Further to Proclamation No, 555 (s. 2018) issued by the President declaring 01 January 2019 (New Year's Day) as a Regular Holiday, and in order to give the employees of the government full opportunity to celebrate such holiday with their families and ioved ones, work in government offices throughout the country, including government-owned or -controlled corporations, government financial institutions, state universities and colleges, local government units, and other agencies and instrumentalities, is hereby suspended on 02 January 2019.

However, those agencies whose functions involve the delivery of basic and health services, preparedness/response to disasters and calamities, and/or the performance of other vital services shall continue with their operations and render the necessary services.

The suspension of work on the same date in other branches of government and in independent commissions or bodies, as well as in private companies and offices, is left to the sound discretion of their respective heads/management.

For information and guidance.

Manila, 17 December 2018.

By authority of the President:

(SGD.) **SALVADOR C. MEDIALDEA** Executive Secretary



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