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HON. LEANDRO R. MENDOZA
Secretary
Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC)
The Columbia Tower
Ortigas Avenue, Pasig City

Dear Secretary Mendoza:

Subject: CYBER CORRIDOR PROJECTS: Cyber Education Project (CEP) and Internet Protocol (IP) Based National Broadband Network Project

This has reference to the agreements during the 13 February 2007 Joint NEDA-Investment Coordination Committee (NEDA-ICC) and Cabinet meeting at Malacañan Palace, where DOTC was instructed to sort out possible overlaps of the proposed Cyber Education Project of the Department of Education (DepEd) with existing and proposed projects of similar nature on communications infrastructure backbone network before end of a four-week timeline. Likewise, the NEDA-ICC was instructed to hold its recommendation on DepEd's proposal pending the DOTC study.

In this regard, may we request the submission/endorsement of a reconciled project proposal on the subject projects of DepEd and DOTC/TELOF. Based on DepEd's requirement for real-time interactive communications (i.e., video, audio, & data) on distance learning, we are initially recommending the use of mixed technology approach wherein different technology configurations could be applied as deemed appropriate and practical, as well as cost effective. Said approach would be appropriate also for the project IP-Based National Broadband Network if we take into consideration the requirements of different agencies.

Your usual attention on the matter will be highly appreciated.

Very truly yours,


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Secretary of Socio-Economic Planning

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