

Republic of the Philippines  
Department of the Interior and Local Government  
**NATIONAL POLICE COMMISSION**  
Makati City

**MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 2001-008**

**TO : Chief, Philippine National Police**

**SUBJECT : CIRCULARIZATION OF THE EXPANDED TERTIARY EDUCATION EQUIVALENCY AND ACCREDITATION PROGRAM (ETEEAP) TO ALL PNP REGIONAL OFFICES**

*WHEREAS*, Sections 1 and 2, Article XIV of the 1987 Constitution provide that the state shall protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all and shall establish, maintain and support a complete, adequate and integrated system of education relevant to the needs of the people and society, and that the State shall encourage nonformal, informal and indigenous learning systems, as well as self-learning, independent and out-of-school study programs particularly those that respond to community needs;

*WHEREAS*, the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) as embodied in Executive Order No. 330 issued by then President Fidel V. Ramos on May 13, 1996 is the authority responsible for the implementation of the Expanded Tertiary Education Equivalency and Accreditation Program (ETEEAP) as an educational assessment scheme that recognizes knowledge, skills and prior learning obtained by individuals from nonformal and informal education experiences;

*WHEREAS*, the aim of the Expanded Tertiary Education Equivalency and Accreditation Program (ETEEAP) is to address the need to strengthen the system of academic equivalency and validation of the knowledge and expertise derived by individuals from relevant work experiences and high level, non-formal training to harness their full potentials;

*WHEREAS*, the participation of the CHED in the PNP Educational Qualifications Upgrading Program through its ETEEAP which provides wider access to education will be of great help to policemen who are affected by the provision of RA 8551 requiring completion of baccalaureate degree;

*WHEREAS*, the National Police Commission feels the need to continuously upgrade the qualifications of the PNP members with inadequate tertiary education and to encourage them to complete their education for professional growth and development;

*NOW, THEREFORE*, this Commission, in the exercise of its constitutionally mandated function to administer and control the PNP, hereby directs the Chief, PNP to circularize the information dissemination on ETEEAP at all levels of its organization effective immediately and require all PNP Regional Offices to coordinate with their corresponding CHED Regional Offices to get the list of ETEEAP providers so that PNP members who are college undergraduates can undergo educational assessment based on knowledge, skills and prior learning obtained through nonformal and informal educational experiences and be granted equivalent credits and appropriate certificates and degrees.

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