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HONORABLE GRACE L. POE

Chairperson

Committee on Public Information and Mass Media

Senate of the Philippines

Roxas Blvd., Pasay City

Dear Senator Poe:

The Department of Social Welfare and Development supports Senate Bill Nos. 532: *Anti-Computer Pornography Act of 2013* (Sen. Legarda), 859: *Anti-Computer Pornography Act & 978: Local Anti-Smut Campaign Act of 2013* (Sen. Ejercito-Estrada), and Senate Resolution Nos. 453 (Sen. Binay), 472 (Sen. Poe), 476, 479 & 522 (Sen. Defensor-Santiago) that aim to prevent the proliferation of cyber pornography in the country.

To contribute to the bills' enhancement, we are proposing the following:

1. To consolidate the proposed measures into one.
2. On Sec. 3 (*Local Print Media Monitoring Board*) of SB No. 978, to include the conduct of monitoring of internet cafes, call center establishments and other facilities, which may be used in the public transfer of prohibited materials.
3. On Sec. 4 (*Composition of Local Print Media Monitoring Board*) of the same bill, to include representation of the Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) and Non-Government Organizations (NGOs).

On the other hand, other provisions stipulated in the three (3) proposed measures were already covered by Republic Act No. 9262 or the "*Anti-Violence Against Women and Their Children Act of 2004*," Republic Act No. 9775 or the "*Anti-Child Pornography Act of 2009*," Republic Act No. 10364 or the "*Expanded Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act of 2012*," and Republic Act No. 10175 or the "*Cybercrime Prevention Act of 2012*." Thus, the Department of Justice (DOJ) together with other concerned agencies should fast track the drafting of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of RA 10175 to efficiently and effectively implement the law for the protection of women and children.

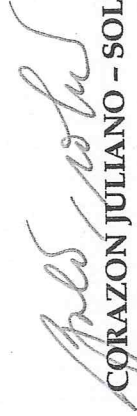
In line with this, we are pleased to inform the Honorable Senator Poe that the Department as Chair of the Inter-Agency Council Against Child Pornography (IACACP) and Inter-Agency Council of the Welfare Against Women and Their Children (IACVAWC) continuously coordinates and monitors the implementation of Republic Act No. 9775 or the "*Anti-Child Pornography Act of 2009*" and Republic Act No. 9262 or the "*Anti-Violence Against Women and Their Children Act of 2004*."

We are providing you with the initial accomplishment report on the implementation of RA 9775 and CY 2013 accomplishment report on the implementation of RA 9262 for your reference. The same was submitted to the House Committee on the Welfare of Children on 30 January 2014 and 26 March 2014, respectively.

For the Honorable Senator's perusal, please.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,



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Secretary

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