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**Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao**  
**OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MINISTER**

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**MEMORANDUM**

Circular No. 012 *79*  
Series of 2022

**TO :** HEADS OF MINISTRIES, AGENCIES, AND OFFICES  
*Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao*

**SUBJECT :** PROHIBITED ACTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE  
SEPTEMBER 17, 2022 PLEBISCITE

**DATE :** 21 July 2022/22 Dhu'l Hijja 1443H

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1. On August 18, 2021, the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) issued **Resolution No. 10716**, suspending the conduct of all plebiscites in preparation for the conduct of the May 9, 2022 National and Local Elections. In the same Resolution, the COMELEC scheduled the holding of said plebiscites within four (4) months from the end of the election period.
2. On June 22, 2022, COMELEC issued **Resolution No. 10797**, setting the date of the plebiscite to ratify the division of the Province of Maguindanao into two (2) provinces, namely, Maguindanao del Norte and Maguindanao del Sur, on **September 17, 2022**.
3. Pursuant to the forthcoming September 17, 2022 plebiscite, the COMELEC prohibits the conduct of the following acts from **August 16 to September 15, 2022**, in accordance with the Omnibus Election Code (OEC), viz:
  - a. "Appointment or hiring of new employees, creation of new position, promotion, or giving of salary increases, remuneration or privileges (Sec. 261 (g), OEC);
  - b. Construction of public works, delivery of materials for public works, issuance of treasury warrants and similar devices (Sec. 261 (w), OEC); and
  - c. Release, disbursement or expenditures of public funds (Sec. 261, (v), OEC)."

4. With this, all ministries, agencies and offices are hereby directed to take note of the foregoing ban on appointments, public works, and public spending from August 16, 2022 to September 15, 2022.

For information and guidance.

*By Authority of the Chief Minister*  
**AHOD B. EBRAHIM:**

  
**ABDULRAOF A. MACACUA**  
Senior Minister

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