17th TESDA BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, 11 March 1998, 4:00 p.m.
TESDA Board Room, 7/F Administration Building
Taguig, Metro Manila

RESOLUTION NO. 98 - 06

INCLUSION OF THE MARITIME INDUSTRY IN THE LIST OF PRIORITY SECTORS

WHEREAS, the STCW-95 with the ISM Code formally took effect in 01 February 1997 and should be administered/implemented by maritime schools/institutions;

WHEREAS, there is a need to implement the STCW Convention both in the overseas and domestic trade to improve maritime safety;

WHEREAS, the first need is to ensure that all seafarers are qualified for their tasks as required by minimum estandards to be able to compete with international maritime;

WHEREAS, there is a need to upgrade the present standards in maritime education/training/policies/facilities/instructors to establish a pool of maritime manpower that meet international standards;

WHEREAS, maritime education and training is one of the critical factors in enhancing the competence and skills of maritime manpower including attitudes required to ensure safe vessel operations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Maritime Industry be included in the list of priority sectors and directs the Secretariat to formulate and implement a comprehensive maritime manpower development program to ensure the competitiveness of Filipino seafarers.

Adopted this 11th day of March 1998.

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ATTESTED BY:

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