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UNESCO National Commission of the Philippines

G/F Department of Foreign Affairs Building
2330 Roxas Boulevard, Pasay City
Philippines

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Subject: 2010 UNESCO Asia-Pacific Heritage Awards for Culture Heritage Conservation

Dear Sir or Madam:

Furthering UNESCO's thrust to promote the stewardship of the world's cultural heritage, the UNESCO Asia-Pacific Heritage Awards for Culture Heritage Conservation was established. The Asia-Pacific Awards encourages and recognizes the role of the private sector and public-private partnerships for their achievement in conserving and restoring structures that have cultural heritage value in the region.

In line with this, I am pleased to inform you that the UNESCO Regional Unit for Culture in Asia and the Pacific is now accepting nomination entries for the Heritage Awards. The Nomination Entries must be in line with the following criteria:

1. Conservation or Restoration of Historic Structures and Buildings that are more than 50 years old.
2. Structures and Buildings must be privately leased or owned.
3. Conservation or Restoration must be a result of private initiative or a public-private partnership completed within the last 10 years.

Heritage Award entries must be submitted with an official entry form and relevant materials such as drawings, project description, and at least 15 photos including 6 pairs of pre- and post- restoration photos. Entries and supporting documents must be submitted to the Culture Unit of UNESCO Bangkok before 31 March 2010. A copy of the Press Release and Brochure is attached. The complete programme information and the official entry form can also be found on the web at <http://www.unescobkk.org/culture/heritageawards>.

I would appreciate it if you could share this announcement with your partners and stakeholders.

Sincerely yours,

PRECIOSA S. SOLIVEN
Secretary-General