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## **CIRCULAR NO.18, series of 2016**

To: Chief Commissioners  
International Commissioners  
Chief Scout Executives

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### **Scout Build 2017**

Dear Colleagues:

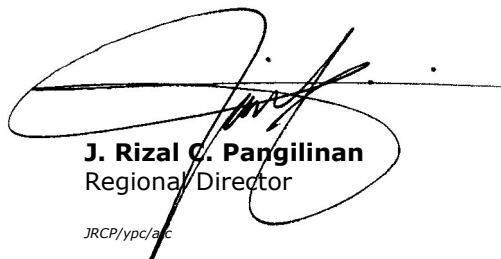
Greetings from the Asia-Pacific Support Centre!

Further to APR Circular No. 1/2016, announcing the partnership between the Asia-Pacific Support Centre and Habitat for Humanity International, we are pleased to inform you that the **Scout Build 2017** is projected to involve Scouting units in the Philippines, Bangladesh, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Korea, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam, and the USA on 18 February 2017 and/or 25 February 2017 to celebrate Founder's Day (Feb 22) – the birthday of Baden-Powell. The 2015 Scout Build was attended by 2,152 Scouts from Hong Kong, Nepal, Singapore and the Philippines.

We are inviting all National Scout Organizations in the Asia-Pacific Region to send representative either on 18 February 2016 or on 25 February 2017. Your representative may have the option to attend once or attend on both date(s), if they wish to. Attach is the overview of the event for your information.

Furthermore, please contact Mr. Rick Hathaway, Area Vice President of Habitat for Humanity, Asia-Pacific Office via - [RHathaway@habitat.org](mailto:RHathaway@habitat.org), who can connect your National Scout Organization with the Habitat office in your country and if you need further details on the event.

Thank you and best regards.



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## Scout Build 2017 – February 18/25

### ***Scouts Building Homes and Hope Across Asia and Beyond***

In 1920 more than 8,000 Scouts from 34 countries came together for the first World Scout Jamboree. At the closing ceremony of this Jamboree, our Founder Robert Baden-Powell called on participants to carry the spirit of the Jamboree home “so that we may help to develop peace and happiness in the world and goodwill among all Scouts.” The Scout Build 2017 carries that spirit forward, building peace through service and kindness – Scouts working together - demonstrating the principles central in Scouting globally in serving those in need of decent shelter. This initiative involves Scouts building on Saturday, 18 February and 25 February – to celebrate the Founder’s Day (22 Feb) – the birthday of Baden-Powell.



### **SCOUT BUILD 2017**

*This initiative involves Scouts building on 18 February and/or 25 February – most working in the countries and communities where they reside. Scout Build 2017 is expected to involve Scouts in **Philippines, Thailand, Singapore, India, Bangladesh, Vietnam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Korea, and USA**. Habitat for Humanity will facilitate these two days of service in partnership with national Scout organizations in these locations.*

Habitat for Humanity, Inc. and Scouts have had a strong partnership in the Asia-Pacific Region. Scouts have previously participated in builds in Thailand, Philippines, and Nepal.

For more information contact Mr. Rick Hathaway, Area Vice President of Habitat for Humanity, Asia- Pacific Office ([rhathaway@habitat.org](mailto:rhathaway@habitat.org)) who can connect interested Scouting units with their local Habitat office.

All Scout Build 2017 participants will receive a special badge in recognition of their service and support as we tangibly demonstrate the principles of Scouting across the Asia-Pacific and beyond – honoring the vision of Scouting’s Founder Robert Baden-Powell.



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