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To: Chief Commissioners
    International Commissioners
    Chief Scout Executive

20 April 2015

6th Asia-Pacific Regional Award for Outstanding Scouts – 2015

Dear Colleagues,

We are very pleased to announce that the Asia-Pacific Region is in the process of searching for candidates for the APR Award for Outstanding Scouts. Ever since the contest started at the Regional Scout Conference in Delhi in 2001, it has become a regular feature of every regional conference and has maintained the standard of awarding the best among the best of our Scouts.

The competition calls for the nomination and selection of outstanding Scouts in member-countries in the Asia-Pacific Region with the main purpose of enhancing the image and visibility of Scouting as an educational movement and to emphasize its effectiveness in the development of young people at home, in school, and in communities.

Announcement of awards will be made at the 25th Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Conference in Korea in November.

Please see attached criteria and nomination form. The nomination forms should be received by the APR office not later than 30 June 2015, in time for the short-listing on the second week of July. The five short-listed candidates will be announced in July and they will be expected to attend the Regional Conference in Korea.

Thank you in advance for your interest and participation.

Yours sincerely,

J. Rizal P. Pangilinan
Regional Director
Criteria for the Selection of
Outstanding Scouts in the Asia-Pacific Region

The project calls for the selection of Outstanding Scouts in the Asia-Pacific Region from among candidates nominated by member NSOs in the region, and the award is to be made at Asia-Pacific Regional Conferences that are held every three years.

A. Objectives

1. To enhance the visibility of Scouting and its image as an educational tool.

2. To provide role models for other Scouts to follow.

3. To highlight Scouting as an international organization with proven track record as an effective companion of the home, school and the community in the proper upbringing of young people.

B. Country Selection

1. Every NSO in the region submits one nominee with these criteria:

a. Candidate must preferably be an above average student or equivalent as indicated in his/her academic performance in the current year.

b. He/she must be at least 15 and not more than 20 years at the time of the award.

c. He/she must be able to communicate in English or in his/her local language.

d. He/she must be at least a first class Scout or equivalent.

e. He/she must have leadership potential based on records of awards received and positions held, and the testimony of his/her teachers and unit leader.

f. He/she must have been involved in Community Development/Service activities, which must be supported by a record/s of evidence (Certificate of Participation, pictures, testimonies, etc.)

2. If selected for the interview, the candidate is made an official youth delegate or an observer of the Conference and Youth Forum. The NSO must agree to find ways to fund the travel and lodging costs of the candidate.

C. Processing

1. The initial processing of the entries is done by one member of the Programme Sub-Committee and two members of the Scouting Profile Sub-Committee, with the assistance of the Regional Office:

   a. Making sure the candidate meets the criteria.

   b. Checking by email/fax/telephone in case additional facts/records are needed.

2. The regional office communicates the names of finalists to NSOs with details as to where/when the candidate should report for the interview which will be at the time of the regional conference.
D. Selection and Interview

1. Selection at the national and regional levels should be based on the following criteria:

   30% Scouting (Achievements, Rank, Spirit)
   25% Interview (Personality, Leadership)
   20% Community Involvement
   15% General Knowledge related to Scouting
   10% Academic Excellence

2. Five finalists will be invited at the time of the Regional Scout Conference for the interview and final selection. The interview assumes that the candidates to be interviewed have met all the criteria, so that the selection at the conference will be on the basis of who among the candidates can answer the questions best and project the best personality. (It is assumed that the winners have already been asked to speak and appear before audiences in their respective countries. They must correctly project themselves as role models, which is the principal objective of the awards program.)

3. The interview and the final selection are done by a board of judges from among appropriate persons (5 people) in the conference.

4. A folder providing the background of each finalist will be made available to the judges.

5. From five finalists, the judges will select three regional winners and two runners-up.

E. Awards

1. All three winners will receive the same book prize of US$400 each, an "outstanding Asia-Pacific Scout" medallion and badge, and citation (plaque).

2. The two runners-up will receive a book prize of US$150 each, an "outstanding Asia Pacific Scout" badge and a citation (plaque) giving them the distinction as finalists for the regional award.
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## NOMINATION FORM

National Scout Organization

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*Indicate level of fluency: Excellent, very good, good, fair*

The following documents are attached to highlight details on the nominee (put a ✓ mark)

1. Major accomplishments in Scouting ✓
2. Positions held in Scouting ✓
3. Academic performance and achievements ✓
4. Community involvements ✓
5. Awards received ✓

On behalf of the above National Scout Organization, I submit this nomination for the 6th APR Award for Outstanding Scouts 2015.

Printed Name with Signature ____________________________ Date __________

To validate the above information, please attach testimonies of relevant authorities.

**Please send this Nomination Form not later than 30 June 2015 to:**

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219 Salcedo Street  
Legaspi Village, Makati City  
Metro Manila  
PHILIPPINES  
Fax (+63 2) 819 00 93  
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SUMMARY OF ACHIEVEMENTS

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