



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION VIII - EASTERN VISAYAS

January 22, 2026

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. **95** s. 2026

**NEW REGIONAL DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
COORDINATING AGENCY (NICA)**

To: Schools Division Superintendents
Regional Office Personnel
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is a communication from Viberrie C. Severo, Chief, Administrative Branch, National Intelligence Coordinating Agency, informing all concerned on the new leadership effective December 1, 2025.
2. In view thereof, all official communications intended for National Intelligence Coordinating Agency, Region VIII shall be addressed to:

Dir. Joseph Gideon A. Garcia
Regional Director
National Intelligence Coordinating Agency (NICA)
Regional Office 8
Government Center, Brgy. Candahug, Palo, Leyte.

3. For information and guidance.

RONELO AL K. FIRMO, CESO IV
Assistant Regional Director
Officer-In-Charge
Office of the Regional Director

Enclosure: As stated

Reference: As stated

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects:

INFORMATION

NEW LEADERSHIP



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13 January 2026

DR. RONELO AL K. FIRMO
OIC Regional Director
Department of Education VIII
Government Center, Palo, Leyte

Dear Dr. Firmo,

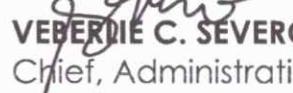
This Office would like to formally notify of the official assumption of **JOSEPH GIDEON A. GARCIO** as the new Regional Director of National Intelligence Coordinating Agency, Regional Office 8 (NICA, RO-8) effective 01 December 2025.

In this connection, may we respectfully request that all official communications to this Regional Office be addressed to:

DIR. JOSEPH GIDEON A. GARCIO
Regional Director
National Intelligence Coordinating Agency (NICA)
Regional Office 8
Government Center, Brgy Candahug, Palo, Leyte

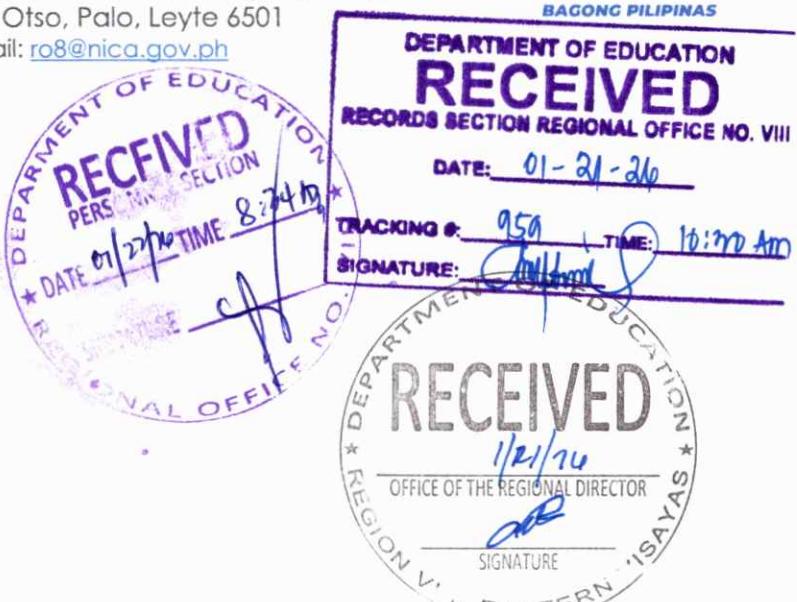
Thank you very much for your continued support and assistance.

Very truly yours,


VERERIE C. SEVERO
Chief, Administrative Branch



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