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Vice Admiral Eduardo Ma R Santos AFP (Retired)  
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Dear Admiral Santos,

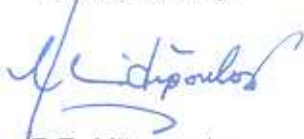
On my return to London, I write to thank you most sincerely for welcoming me to your Academy during my recent visit to the Philippines to assist at the Diplomatic Conference of Parties to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW).

I greatly enjoyed the occasion and wish to say how very impressed I was with your Academy and your cadets. I also wish to thank you, and all those involved, for all the excellent arrangements, hospitality and other courtesies extended to the delegates during our stay in Manila. Your cadets attached to the Conference were a delight to see and feel proud of.

I wish the Academy every success in the pursuit of its noble objectives – and to your cadets a splendid career in the service of shipping.

With best regards and renewed thanks,

Yours sincerely,



E.E. Mitropoulos  
Secretary-General