



Republic of the Philippines
COMMISSION ON AUDIT
Commonwealth Avenue, Quezon City, Philippines

MEMORANDUM

FOR : All Assistant Commissioners, Cluster/Office /Regional Directors and All Others Concerned
This Commission

SUBJECT : Mechanics on the Nationwide Search for Mr. and Mrs. COA 2017

DATE : March 15, 2017

In relation to the nationwide search for Mr. and Mrs. COA, please be informed on the following contest mechanics:

- a) The contest is open to couples who are legally married husband and wife both working in the Commission for at least three (3) years, regardless of age and position of the spouses.
- b) Each team of the nationwide Sports Competition shall choose their couple representative according to their own set of criteria. The chosen couple representative for each team shall compete on the following categories:
 1. Business/Corporate attire;
 2. Casual attire;
 3. Talent; and
 4. Question and Answer.
- c) The concerned Team is required to submit the couple candidate's personal data sheets, picture (preferably 3R), and the Entry Form signed by the Team Manager on or before April 12, 2017 thru email to Directors Lorna D. Cabochan and Leila S. Paras, Vice Chairpersons, Committee on Mr. and Mrs. COA Contest, at ldcabochan@coa.gov.ph and lsparas@coa.gov.ph, respectively.
- d) The selection and awarding of Mr. and Mrs. COA 2017 shall be held on May 8, 2017 at the COA Sports and Cultural Center.

I. PRE-SELECTION:

1. Presentation of Candidates

The official couple candidate chosen by their respective teams shall be presented according to their casual and corporate attire and shall be rated as follows:

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Appropriateness (Relevance)	- 50%
Bearing of Attire	- 30%
Stage Presence	- <u>20%</u>
Total	<u>100%</u>

2. Talent Competition

- a) The couple candidates shall perform in a single presentation that relates to gender and development (GAD) perspective.
- b) A maximum of three and a half (3.50") minutes shall be allotted for the talent presentation whereby the couple candidates shall be rated according to:

Appropriateness of presentation (GAD perspective)	- 50%
Overall performance	- 30%
Stage Presence	- <u>20%</u>
Total	<u>100%</u>

- c) Timer starts with the first melody/sound or action/gesture in the talent, whichever is most convenient. A timer shall signal the 3.5" mark.
- d) Three points shall be deducted from the couple's score should the performance extends beyond the signal mark.
- e) Props, back-up performers, or supporting accompaniments may be used provided that the set-up and set-down will not exceed two minutes each. Except in the event of a technical problem attributable to the fault/error/negligence of the production team, 1/10 or .10 points shall be deducted for every second of extension as may be determined by the timer assigned thereat. Children below 12 years of age may not be used as back-up performers unless prior authorization has been secured from the parents/guardian of the minor and the proper government instrumentality in charged thereof.
- f) The use of the following props is not allowed:
 - i. fire;
 - ii. water;
 - iii. bladed weapons;
 - iv. live firearms and ammunitions; and
 - v. other dangerous and explicitly offensive objects.
- g) Talent presentations must be within the bounds of morality and decency and must not be offensive to anyone's sensibilities and gender sensitivities. Violation of the same shall constitute a ground for disqualification.

3. Question and Answer

- a) A maximum of five (5) minutes shall be allotted for the question and answer portion.

- b) Dressed in corporate/business attire, each couple candidate shall be interviewed by a panel composed of three (3) members within the five-minute time allotted and shall be rated according to:

Intelligence and Confidence	- 50%
Bearing of Corporate Attire	- 30%
Personality	- <u>20%</u>
Total	<u>100%</u>

- c) Each member of the panel shall ask topics related to work and family life balance, work ethics and moral values on a GAD perspective and sensitivity.

II. AWARDING OF THE WINNING COUPLE:

1. Business/Corporate Attire Competition

Donned in their business/corporate attire, each couple candidate shall be rated according to:

Appropriateness (Relevance)	- 50%
Bearing of Attire	- 30%
Stage Presence	- <u>20%</u>
Total	<u>100%</u>

2. Rating Criteria

- a) The average scores in each portion shall be weighed according to the following criteria:

Question and Answer	- 30%
Talent	- 30%
Business/Corporate Attire	- 20%
Casual Attire	- <u>20%</u>
Overall	<u>100%</u>

- b) Special awards shall be given to deserving couple candidates who best fit the criteria as may be determined by the panel, co-candidates, contest committee as the case maybe.
- c) After tabulation, couple candidates with the top three scores shall move to the final round of the competition where a final and common question will be asked.
- d) In the final round, all the previous scores shall be discarded and a ranking system shall be implemented. Judges shall rank the three finalists with rank one (1) being the highest based on the finalist's answer to the final question, and the judges' overall impression from the previous portions of the contest using the following criteria:

Ability to articulate GAD Perspective and Sensitivity (based on Q&A)	-	35%
Managing Work and Family Life Balance (based on Q&A)	-	35%
Talent	-	20%
Audience Impact (bearing on casual/corporate attire)	-	10%
Total		<u>100%</u>

e) Rankings shall all be tallied and totaled and the couple candidate with the lowest aggregate rank total shall be declared the title Mr. and Mrs. COA 2017.

f) The decision of the judges will be final and irrevocable.

III. AWARDS & PRIZES

a) The following Special Awards shall be given to the couple that top each category:

1. Best in Business/Corporate Attire
2. Best in Casual Attire
3. Best in Talent
4. Congeniality Award

The Major Award is the Mr. and Mrs. COA 2017.

b) Prizes for the special and major awards shall be determined by the Committee.

IV. SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

<u>Date</u>		<u>Activity</u>
April 12, 2017	-	Deadline of Submission of couple representative's name, personal data, picture and signed Entry Form
May 5, 2017	-	Orientation and Briefing of Couple Candidates/ Rehearsal for the event <i>Venue: COA Sports and Cultural Center</i> Focal Persons: Directors Leila Paras and Susana Medez
May 8, 2017	-	Selection and Declaration of Mr. and Mrs. COA 2017: Presentation of Couple Candidates, Talent Competition and Question and Answer <i>Venue: COA Sports and Cultural Center</i> Emcees: Mr. Gary Ramos and Ms. Vinci Beltran Coverage/Documentation: Director Jonathan Beltran

For your information and guidance.


RIZALINA Q. MUTIA
 Assistant Commissioner

Chairperson, Committee on Mr. and Mrs. COA Contest



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**Mr. & Mrs. COA 2017
ENTRY FORM**

Date: _____

The _____ hereby endorses
(Team)

Mr. _____ with COA ID No. _____
(Name & Position)

Miss _____ with COA ID No. _____
(Name & Position)

as its official couple candidate for the nationwide search of Mr. and Mrs. COA 2017.

Signature over printed name
Team Manager

Signature over printed name
Mr. COA Candidate

Signature over printed name
Mrs. COA Candidate