## VISAYAS STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE Baybay, Leyte

## OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

**September 23, 1999** 

Memorandum No. 86 Series of 1999

T 0: Members of the Administrative Council, Faculty, Staff and Students

SUBJECT: Reaction to Mr. Peralta's Letter to AdCo Members and to VISCA

Students

This office received copies of Mr. Adam Peralta's two (2) letters. The first one is dated September 21, 1999 addressed to VISCA students and the second one dated September 22, 1999 was addressed to the members of the Administrative Council. In both letters, Mr. Peralta brought out the issue that the administration was interfering in their confederation meeting. To support his claim, he mentioned a certain statement of Prof. Lucy Paloma during a VFA meeting.

May I give you the following reactions and clarifications:

- 1. Prof. Paloma's statement, if she really made it, shall not be accepted as accurate. Common prudence dictates that before one can use Minutes of confederation meeting as source of reference, said Minutes have to be reviewed, corrected and approved first by the participants of the confederation meeting. Likewise, before one can cite statements of other person, one has to verify and secure permission from the concerned person. In this particular instance, Prof. Paloma never conferred with me to find out if she was quoting me correctly or not. My official statements on the matter are printed in Memo. No. 79 dated September 16, 1999 and in my letter to the VISCA students dated September 20, 1999.
- 2. As to the issue of interference and unseating of Mr. Peralta in the BOT, I had already stated my answers as printed in my Memo. No. 79 and in many public gatherings that "The undersigned has never interfered ...." and ".... has no authority or power to unseat or install any member of the BOT."

For the guidance of everyone.

Officer-in-Charge