Dear Colleague:

In behalf of all the members of the Philippine College of Surgeons, we take pleasure in inviting you to join us during the 18th Biennial Congress of the Asian Surgical Association and the 37th Midyear Convention of the Philippine College of Surgeons on May 12 to 14, 2011 in Cebu City, Philippines.

Cebu City is an island which is an hour away by plane south of Manila. It has many tourists’ attractions and destinations which make the city one of the favorite tourist’s destinations in the Philippines and in Asia. Beautiful beach resorts, scuba diving destinations, historical places and shopping centers are in abundance. And if you are concerned about the travel, Cebu City is easily accessible because many airlines offer direct flights to the city from most major cities in Asia.

The theme of the congress “Surgery in Asia Amidst Global Challenges” will highlight the important development in the practice of surgery in the region in spite of the global economic crises. Speakers within the region will present their experience in managing common surgical conditions. The GB Ong, Law Hui, and the RACS Foundation lectures will be the highlights of the scientific meeting. The organizing committee will develop a scientific program that will ensure participation of the different countries in the region. Symposium and panel discussion will be the main format of the scientific sessions.

The organizing committee will likewise ensure that the social program will be special and memorable to the delegates. Arrangements will be made with local tour agencies for trips to neighboring tourists destinations.

For additional information about the congress, you may visit the website at http://www.acs2011.org. So come and join us in May 12 to 14, 2011 in the beautiful place of Cebu City, Philippines for the 18th Asian Congress of Surgery and the 37th PCS Midyear Convention.

Sincerely,

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