

Republic of the Philippines
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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**SEC STATEMENT REGARDING FORUM HOLDINGS
CORPORATION SETTLEMENT OFFER**

August 18, 2004

The Commission wishes to announce to the public that Forum Holdings Corporation entered into a settlement agreement with the Commission. This release is in compliance with Section 55.3. – Settlement Offers – Republic Act No. 8799, otherwise known as the Securities Regulation Code (SRC), which states that “[a]ny agreement to settle shall have no legal effect until publicly disclosed.”

The settlement offer in the amount of PhP 30,000.00 was made without the corporation admitting any guilt or liability, and the offer settled the administrative investigation/inquiry conducted by the Commission relative to various suspicious trades covering the period from February 17, 2003 to March 12, 2003.

In view of the settlement offer the Commission has terminated its administrative proceedings.