“My sincerest gratitude to each and every one of you — staff members of MARINA, past and present — for your critical roles in moulding this Agency into a solid Maritime Administration that is ready to lead Philippine shipping towards its bright and promising future.”

— Dr. Maximo Q Mejia Jr in an email he sent during the occasion

ABROAD ON official capacity, MARINA administrator Dr. Maximo Q Mejia Jr sends his wishes to the agency on the occasion of its 41st founding year.

Mejia writes, “As we pass another milestone in the celebrated life of the Maritime Industry Authority, let us pause to thank the good Lord for showering upon everyone in MARINA His blessings of strength, inspiration, health and goodwill.”

Further, the maritime administrator enjoins everyone to commemorate this auspicious day in a simple but most meaningful manner.

“Let us take this anniversary as an opportunity to be proud of the work of your predecessors and take even greater pride in your own daily contribution to building upon the strong foundations they have laid down.”

He also calls on everyone to stay true to the sworn commitment to render faithful service to the public.
MARINA’S BIRTHDAY celebration started with a mass right after Monday’s flag ceremony and a speech from deputy administrator for operations and planning Atty. Nicasio Conti.

A tent set up the day before featured stalls that showcased every division’s service, crafted by the respective division staff.

MARINA’s office operations did not have to stop as staff took turns checking on what was going on in the tent.

After lunch break, Brother Ricky, our Mr. Richard D. Hora, who was master of ceremonies for the remaining leg of the program, continued the raffle draw of door prizes.

The Philippine Coast Guard band set the tone for the awaited Boodle Fight dinner. The evening continued on with more winners and musical intermissions. MARINA just turned 41!

DR. MAXIMO Q Mejia’s birthday wish sent during MARINA’s 41st anniversary, this June 1, 2015.

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May we all continue to stay true to our sworn commitment to rendering faithful service to the public in integrating the development of the maritime industry and in promoting the safety of life and property at sea.

Happy 41st MARINA Anniversary to one and all.