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ABSTRACT

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A field study was conducted at Ayala Plans, Incorporated (API) Cavite Regional Office located at Nueno Avenue, Imus, Cavite. The objectives of the study were to enable the student to get involved in different activities of the firm, to give the student a chance to apply what she has learned in the classroom in actual situations and to assist the students to develop skills and abilities for professional and personal advancement.

Ayala Plans, Inc.. Cavite Regional Office occupies 80 square meters of Lolo Berong Building.

Marketing of company's product is done through sales counselors who attended basic sales training-seminar where they are reoriented on company's history, people behind the company, concept of the product, features of the product and commission. Collection of payments is done by the sales counselor or depositing in the trustee bank of the firm which is Bank of the Philippine Island (BPI).

The 1997 gross income of API Cavite was P6,747,478.22. Its total operating expenses amounted to P905,282.20. Salaries/wages incurred the highest expense which amounted to P310,523.40 while the lowest cost was the office supplies amounting

to only P4,267.80. The total net income for the whole year of 1997 amounted to P5,839,196.02

The problems of the firm include maintaining the sales force active, low sales, lack of knowledge of the sales counselor, overdue receipts, undated payments and wrongly-filled up application forms. These problems can be minimized by conducting trainings, close supervision and monitoring of the activities of the sales counselors.

There were different activities made during the conduct of the field study. These include orientation, observation, interviews, checking of attendance, recording, giving receipts and application form, paying electric and telephone bills.

The student also encountered problems during the conduct of the field study. The student did not know the rules and regulations of the company and likewise, she did not know some of the names of the sales counselors and their assigned area managers and district managers.

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INTRODUCTION

After the mid-20th century, inflation in the cost of a college education kept pace with that of the economy in general. It was predicted that as long as college operating cost rose, the financial burden of student and their parents would continue to grow. The expense of higher education is an obstacle to many young men and women who have the intellectual and educational qualifications for college work. On the other hand, increasing number of students go to college, many of them are selecting the less costly institution and many by getting financial aid. Many parents fill the gap between their resources and the cost of college by getting financial aid in the form of job, scholarship and education plan (Encyclopedia Americana, 1980).