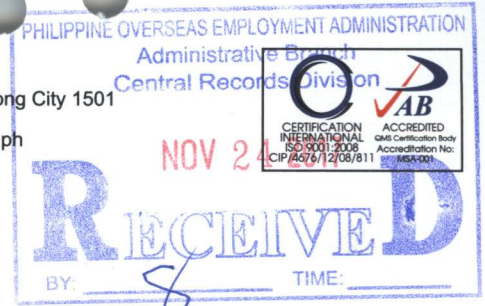




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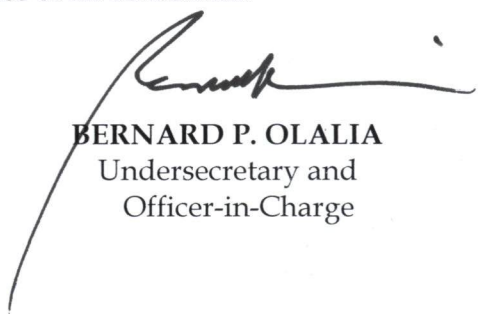
**IMMIGRATION ADVICE FOR VISA APPLICANTS
IN NEW ZEALAND**

In a meeting among officials from the Philippine Overseas Employment Administration (POEA) and New Zealand Embassy and the Immigration Advisers Authority (IAA) of New Zealand, information on how to obtain the right immigration advice from the right establishment was shared.

According to the registrar of IAA, Filipinos seeking for work in New Zealand should be aware that should an immigration advice be necessary when applying for a visa, they should seek the advice of New Zealand licensed immigration adviser. Aside from New Zealand licensed immigration advisers, license exempt persons, such as current New Zealand lawyers can assist in visa applications.

The IAA further clarified that POEA licensed recruitment agencies are not exempt from the licensing requirement in providing immigration advice. For information on what POEA licensed recruitment agencies can and cannot do to help someone with a New Zealand visa applications, reference materials are available at the IAA website at www.iaa.govt.nz/docs/factsheet-poea-agencies and at info@iaa.govt.nz. The website also provides the register of licensed advisers and list of exempt persons as well as the checklist on "Looking for New Zealand Immigration Advice."

For the information and guidance of all concerned.



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