



GROWING DEMAND FOR FILIPINO WORKERS IN HONGKONG

The increase in economic activities in Hong Kong, as its economy recovers, presents bright employment prospects for Filipino professionals and skilled workers.

The Philippine Overseas Labor Office (POLO) in Hong Kong has reported on the growing number of job orders for entertainers (dancers and musicians), seafarers and professionals. The hiring of Filipino professionals such as architectural designers, executives and managers also registered a market increase along with Filipino skilled and semi-skilled workers.

According to POLO, Hong Kong has requested for the approval of 128 Filipino workers for its theme parks in Lantau Island while Ocean Park has recently applied for processing of some 32 Filipino workers to work during the summer promotion of its "Caribbean Summer Splash".

The POLO also requested that a number of Hong Kong-based shipping and manning companies have hired Filipino seafarers for both bulk and passenger ships, and luxury yachts.