

Exchange Visitor Program Committee in the Philippines

RESOLUTION NO. 01-2004

PROVIDING ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES ON THE ISSUANCE OF NO OBJECTION STATEMENT TO APPLICANTS AVAILING OF THE ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENT UNDER THE EXCHANGE VISITOR PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Exchange Visitor Program (EVP) Committee in the Philippines is mandated to promulgate policies, rules and regulations to implement Philippine participation in the EVP;

WHEREAS, the EVP Committee promulgated and approved the "Guidelines and Procedures on the Waiver of the Two-Year Home-Country Residency Requirement for Exchange Visitors" on 16 November 2001, providing, among others, the procedures under the alternative arrangement by which a qualified applicant for No Objection Statement, whose reasons do not fall within the criteria for the granting of NOS, may develop a project proposal to transfer technology to the Philippines in lieu of the two-year home country physical presence requirement; and


WHEREAS, during the meeting of the EVP Committee on 29 December 2003, it was agreed upon that additional guidelines be adopted in order to rationalize and improve the effectiveness of the technology transfer process of the alternative arrangement;


RESOLVED THEREFORE, that the Committee hereby approves and adopts the following additional guidelines on the issuance of No Objection Statement to applicants availing of the alternative arrangement under the EVP, as follows:


1. No project proposal may be implemented by an applicant unless he/she has formally submitted an application for No Objection Statement, and the same has been deliberated upon by the Committee;
2. The favorable opinion in a technical review by the evaluating agency on a project proposal does not necessarily imply approval of the proposal by the Committee;
3. The Committee reserves the right to require additional projects or activities, or disapprove an application for NOS regardless of the status of the implementation of a proposed project, if the proposal was implemented without the prior approval of the EVP Committee.

ADOPTED this 20th day of February 2004 during the regular EVP Committee meeting in Manila, Philippines.


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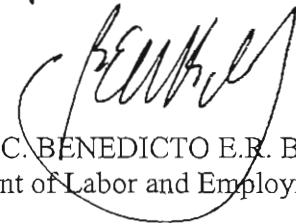

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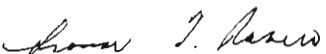

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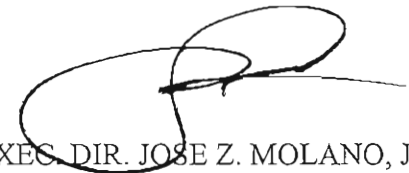

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