

EXCHANGE VISITORS PROGRAM COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 01-97

AMENDING EVP COMMITTEE RESOLUTION NO. 01-95

WHEREAS, the EVP Committee has reviewed existing policies in the issuance of a "No-Objection Statement" (NOS) for the waiver of the two-year home country residence requirement;

WHEREAS, the Committee has seen fit to include additional criteria for the issuance of NOS on a case-to-case basis;

WHEREAS, the Committee has also noted that there are requests for NOS from participants to exchange visitors programs administered by the Philippine American Educational Foundation (PAEF), an entity created through a bi-national agreement between the governments of the Republic of the Philippines and the United States of America;

WHEREAS, there is also a need for the orderly consideration of requests to provide for a period for reckoning the finality of the decision of the EVP Committee;

WHEREFORE, the Committee hereby resolves to amend EVP Committee Resolution No. 01-95 issued on 07 March 1995 as follows:

1. The first paragraph on page 2 is hereby amended to read as follows:

A "No-Objection Statement" may also be issued to any applicant in any of the following cases:

1. A case where an applicant has an ailing family member in the U.S. whose separation from the former would cause severe and direct threat to his/her life; and
2. Other meritorious reasons may be considered by the Committee on a case-to-case basis.

2. A new paragraph is added after the first paragraph on page 2 which shall read as follows:

The EVP Committee shall refer to the Philippine American Educational Foundation for review and recommendation, requests for NOS of participants to exchange visitors programs administered by the Foundation;

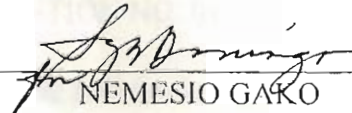
3. A new paragraph is added after the foregoing which shall read as follows:

An applicant may file a request for reconsideration within thirty (30) days from receipt of the decision of the EVP Committee. Only one request for reconsideration shall be considered by the Committee.


APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of August 1997 in Manila, Philippines.

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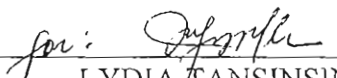


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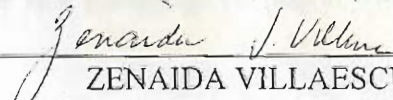
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