

Exchange Visitor Program Committee in the Philippines

RESOLUTION NO. 02-2007

GUIDELINES FOR THE UTILIZATION OF THE PROCESSING FEE COLLECTED FROM EXCHANGE VISITOR PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS APPLYING FOR NO OBJECTION STATEMENT, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 6 C OF THE GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES ON THE WAIVER OF THE TWO-YEAR HOME-COUNTRY RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT FOR EXCHANGE VISITORS

WHEREAS, the Exchange Visitor Program (EVP) Committee in the Philippines is mandated by Administrative Order No. 242 dated 17 January 1996, 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 requirements in the application for No Objection Statement (NOS) by EVP participants;

WHEREAS, Section 2 (k) of Administrative Order 242 mandates the EVP Committee to collect administrative fees and charges as may be just and reasonable to cover the full cost of services rendered;

WHEREAS, EVP Resolution No. 01-2006, approved on 14 September 2006, requires the EVP participants applying for NOS to pay for the processing fee amounting to US\$125 to cover the costs of processing and handling applications for NOS;

WHEREAS, the EVP Committee recognizes the need to develop guidelines for the utilization of the processing fee to be collected from EVP participants applying for NOS;

RESOLVED THEREFORE, that the EVP Committee hereby approves and adopts relevant amendments to the said Guidelines and Procedures, which shall henceforth read as follows:

SECTION 6. APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- c. The applicant shall pay the processing fee of one hundred twenty five US dollars (US\$125) exclusive of bank charges, to the Commission on Filipinos Overseas through bank or other means of electronic transfer to the following account:

Acct. name: Commission on Filipinos Overseas
Acct. no.: 000012-1149-23
Bank name: Land Bank of the Philippines
Branch: Intramuros, Manila

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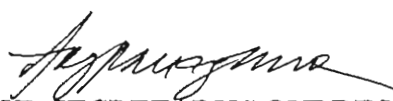
The EVP Committee authorizes the Commission on Filipinos Overseas to use the fees to cover expenses for the processing and handling of NOS applications, subject to the usual accounting and auditing procedures.

The processing and handling of NOS applications shall include the costs of the following:


- a. Sending of communications / decisions of the EVP Committee to the NOS applicant through registered mail;
- b. Sending of original NOS documents to NOS applicant through courier service;
- c. Sending of endorsements of the approved NOS to the Philippine Embassy in Washington, D.C.;
- d. Sending of endorsements of the approved NOS from the Philippine Embassy, Washington, D.C. to the US Department of State;
- e. Verification of information through international and local telephone calls;
- f. Publication of resolutions and other important announcements as the need arises;
- g. Monitoring of projects implemented by NOS applicants under the alternative arrangement, which shall be conducted by representative/s of the EVP Committee member-agencies and/or by the EVP Committee Secretariat; and
- h. Other administrative requirements (including but not limited to hiring of personnel on a contractual basis, and purchasing of office equipment and supplies).

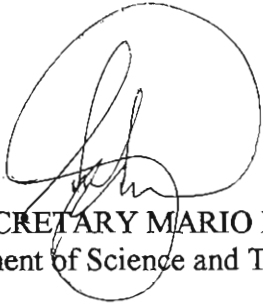
The Commission on Filipinos Overseas shall submit to the EVP Committee a quarterly financial report of all payments received from NOS applicants, and expenses incurred in line with the processing of NOS applications.

ADOPTED this ___ day of _____ 20___, during the ___ regular EVP Committee meeting in Manila, Philippines.

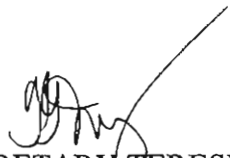

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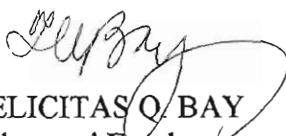

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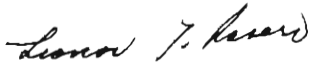
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