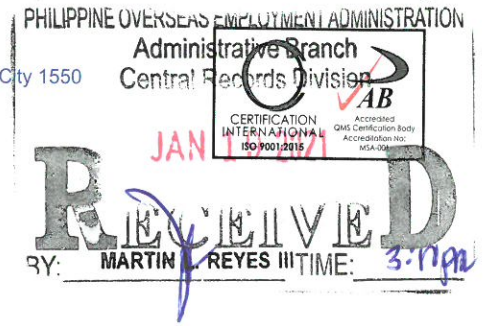




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**Additional Steps Undertaken by the Government of the United Kingdom
to Safeguard Public Health**

Anent POEA Advisory No. 170, Series of 2020 announcing the move of the Government of the United Kingdom to place several areas under Tier 4 (Stay at Home) restriction, additional requirements are now added by the UK Government to further protect and safeguard public health due to the emergence of the new strains of the COVID-19 virus.

From 4:00 a.m. on January 15, 2021, the UK Government will be introducing pre-departure testing requirements for all inbound passengers to England. Passengers arriving by ship, plane or train will have to take up to three (3) days before departure and provide evidence of a negative result before they travel. Tests must be of a diagnostic-standard test such as polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test, and could, in some cases, include Loop-mediated Isothermal Amplification (LAMP) and lateral flow tests within set limits. This is in addition to the strong safeguards already in place including the 10-day self-isolation for the vast majority of arrivals.

A clear guidance and advice to passengers regarding testing standards and capacity will be provided by the UK government through guidance on

<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/coronavirus-covid-19-international-travel-advice>

For Northern Ireland, incoming travelers from countries outside the Common Travel Area (CTA), such as the Philippines, are required to self-isolate for 10 days and a UK passenger locator form (PLF) must be provided by the passenger.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

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