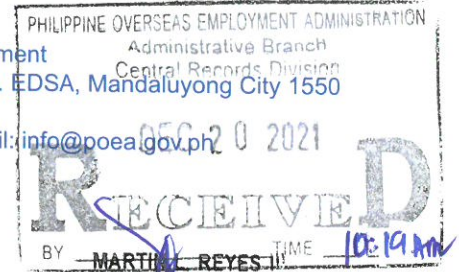




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SUBJECT : OFWs Who Have Been Issued Overseas Employment Certificates (OECs) and are on a Work From Home Arrangement in the Philippines

The Administration wishes to clarify to the public the coverage of POEA Advisory 132, Series of 2021, as follows:

1. Agency-Hired OFWs; and
2. Directly-Hired OFWs who had already been issued OECs, but were not deployed overseas and are currently in the Philippines rendering services with their employer, through Online Platform or Work From Home Arrangements (WFH).

Such workers *are still considered New Hires*. In the event that these OFWs are scheduled to leave the Philippines to assume their employment overseas with their respective employer, the OEC already issued to them will still serve as their exit clearance at the international gateway. In case said OEC's validity had expired, the same can still be used upon its revalidation, in accordance with POEA Advisory 6-B and 6-C, Series of 2021.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.


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