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**GOVERNING BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 02  
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**WHEREAS**, RA 10022 an Act Amending RA 8042, otherwise known as the Migrant Workers and Overseas Filipino Act, has lapsed into law on 08 March 2010;

**WHEREAS**, Section 3 of RA 10022 provides that “the State shall allow the deployment of overseas Filipino Workers **only** in countries where the rights of Filipino migrant workers are protected”;

**WHEREAS**, Section 3 of RA 10022 further states that “the government recognizes **any** of the following as a guarantee on the part of the receiving country for the protection of the rights of migrant workers:

- a. It has existing labor laws and social laws protecting the rights of workers, including migrant workers ;
- b. It is a signatory to and/or ratifier of multilateral conventions, declarations or resolutions relating to the protection of workers, including migrant workers; and
- c. It has concluded a bilateral agreement or arrangement on the protection of the rights of overseas Filipino workers;

**Provided**, that the receiving country is taking positive, concrete measures to protect the rights of migrant workers in furtherance of any of the guarantees under subparagraphs (a), (b) and (c) hereof”;

**WHEREAS**, RA 10022 mandates that the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA), through its foreign posts, shall issue a certification to the POEA, specifying therein the pertinent provisions of the receiving country’s labor/social law, or the convention/declaration/resolution, or the bilateral agreement/arrangement which protect the rights of the migrant workers in compliance with the requirements of Sec. 3 of RA 10022;

**WHEREAS**, the Philippine Embassies/Philippine Missions have certified that the following host country governments have either one of the following guarantees: a) existing labor/social laws, b) ratified multilateral conventions, or c) signed bilateral agreements/arrangements **and** have taken positive and concrete measures to protect the rights of migrant workers and are therefore compliant with the guarantees under the law, based on the attached certifications which form part of this Resolution:

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## AFRICA

1. Angola
2. Kenya
3. Namibia
4. South Africa

## AMERICAS

5. Argentina
6. Belize
7. Bolivia
8. Brazil
9. Canada
10. Chile
11. Columbia
12. Costa Rica
13. Ecuador
14. Guam
15. Guatemala
16. Guyana
17. Jamaica
18. Mexico
19. Northern Marianas
20. Paraguay
21. Peru
22. Suriname
23. Uruguay
24. United States of America
25. Venezuela

## EUROPE

26. Albania
27. Austria
28. Azerbaijan
29. Belgium
30. Bosnia-Herzegovina
31. Czech Republic
32. Cyprus
33. Estonia
34. Finland
35. France
36. Germany
37. Greece
38. Hungary
39. Italy
40. Ireland
41. Latvia
42. Liechtenstein

43. Lithuania
44. Luxembourg
45. Poland
46. Portugal
47. Romania
48. Russian Federation
49. San Marino
50. Slovak Republic
51. Slovenia
52. Spain
53. Sweden
54. Switzerland
55. The Netherlands
56. Turkey
57. United Kingdom

#### **ASIA AND THE PACIFIC**

58. Australia
59. Brunei
60. Hong Kong
61. Indonesia
62. Japan
63. Korea (South)
64. Lao PDR/Laos
65. Macau
66. Maldives
67. Malaysia
68. Marshall Islands
69. Myanmar
70. New Zealand
71. Palau
72. Sri Lanka
73. Taiwan
74. Vietnam

#### **MIDDLE EAST**

75. Israel
76. Oman

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the POEA Governing Board **RESOLVES AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED:**

1. To continue the deployment of OFWs to the countries mentioned above which had been certified by DFA as compliant with the guarantees provided by law, effective immediately;

2. To refer back to DFA the certificates issued to the countries not included in the above list for further review and evaluation. In the meantime, deployment of OFWs to these countries shall continue **except where deployment ban is in effect, pursuant to POEA issuances.**

Done in the City of Manila this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May 2011.

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