



**Governing Board Resolution No. 11
Series of 2012**

WHEREAS, pursuant to DOLE Department Order No. 84, Series of 2007, a total ban on the deployment of OFWs to Lebanon was imposed on 18 June 2007 upon the recommendation of a government Task Force on Lebanon due to the volatile peace and order situation;

WHEREAS, DOLE Department Order No. 84-07 was modified by POEA Governing Board Resolution No. 06, Series of 2008, Governing Board Resolution Nos. 02 and 07, Series of 2009, and Governing Board Resolution No. 01, Series of 2010, insofar as the temporary lifting of the ban with respect to returning workers was concerned;

WHEREAS, Governing Board Resolution No. 01, Series of 2011, allowed the processing of returning workers, subject to certain conditions;

WHEREAS, Governing Board Resolution Nos. 7, 8 and 9 Series of 2012, as well as Governing Board Resolution Nos. 02 and 06, Series of 2011, listed 186 countries that are compliant with the guarantees on the protection of the rights of foreign workers as provided under Section 4 of RA 8042, as amended by RA 10022;

WHEREAS, Lebanon was not included in the list of compliant countries as provided for in the said Governing Board Resolution Nos. 02 and 06, Series of 2011 and Governing Board Resolution Nos. 7, 8, 9 Series of 2012, thereby suspending the deployment of all workers to that country;

WHEREAS, Governing Board Resolution No. 08, Series of 2012, was issued, thereby declaring a set of countries as positively compliant, without prejudice to negotiations for the protection of the rights of household service workers and/or other categories of workers.

WHEREAS, the DFA in a communication dated 12 October 2012 transmitted the Certification of the Philippine Embassy in the Republic of Lebanon that said country partially complies with the requirements under subparagraphs (a) and (c) of Republic Act of 10022 and that the Republic of Lebanon is taking positive and concrete measures to protect the migrant workers in the country, particularly women migrant domestic workers (WMDW);

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WHEREAS, among the developments cited by the Philippine Embassy in Lebanon are the Memorandum of Understanding and Protocols and Controls on the Recruitment and Employment of Filipino Domestic Workers in Lebanon signed on 1 February 2012 by the Philippine and Lebanese governments, as well as the ongoing negotiation for a Standard Employment Contract for Domestic Workers;

NOW, THEREFORE, the POEA Governing Board **RESOLVES AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** to include Lebanon in the list of compliant countries.

RESOLVES FURTHER, the ban on the deployment of OFWs bound for Lebanon will be lifted except for newly hired HSWs pending agreement of the Philippine and Lebanese governments on a Standard Employment Contract for HSWs.

The POEA is directed to issue the necessary implementing guidelines for the recruitment and deployment of the above-stated categories of workers.

Done in the City of Manila, this October 22, 2012.


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