GOVERNING BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 12
Series of 2014

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10022 authorizes the POEA Governing Board, after consultation with the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA), to impose a ban on the deployment of Filipino migrant workers in pursuit of national interest or when public welfare so requires;

WHEREAS, on 13 June 2014, the DFA raised the crisis alert level in Iraq to Alert Level 3 (Voluntary Repatriation Phase) in view of recent developments in the security situation in that country, except for the Iraqi Kurdistan Region which remains under Alert Level 1;

WHEREAS, POEA Governing Board Resolution (GBR) No. 10, Series of 2014 dated 14 June 2014 was issued imposing a total deployment ban on the processing and deployment of all OFWs bound for Iraq, except for the Iraqi Kurdistan Region;
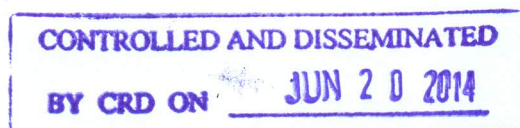
WHEREAS, on 18 June 2014, the DFA further raised the Crisis Alert Level in Iraq from Alert Level 3 to Alert Level 4 (Mandatory Repatriation), except for the Iraqi Kurdistan Region which remains under Alert Level 1; and

WHEREAS, under Crisis Alert Level 4, mandatory repatriation of OFWs shall be required and undertaken.

NOW THEREFORE, the POEA Governing Board, in a meeting duly convened, **RESOLVES AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, reiterates the total deployment ban to Iraq, except to the Iraqi Kurdistan Region and directs the DOLE Quick Reaction Team to closely coordinate with the DFA on the immediate and safe repatriation of OFWs in Iraq.
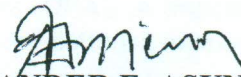
Done in the City of Manila, Philippines, this 20th day of June 2014.

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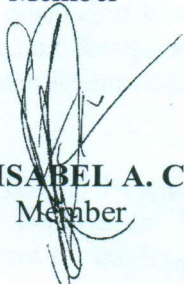Secretary of Labor and Employment and
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