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GOVERNING BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 19 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 21 July 2014, the DFA informed the POEA Governing Board in its letter to the Secretary of Labor and Employment that it has raised the Crisis Alert Level in the West Bank to Crisis Alert Level 2 (Restriction Phase) in view of the growing security concerns in Israel and Palestine due to the recent Israel –Hamas conflict; and

WHEREAS, under Alert Level 2, processing and deployment of OFWs shall be allowed only for returning OFWs with existing employment contracts and effectively suspends the processing and deployment of newly-hired OFWs; and

NOW, WHEREFORE, the POEA Governing Board, in a meeting duly convened, **RESOLVES AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, to impose a temporary suspension on the processing and deployment of newly-hired OFWs to the West Bank. The processing and deployment of vacationing/ returning workers to the said area shall, however, be allowed, subject to their compliance with documentation requirements.

Done in the City of Manila, this 24th day of July 2014.

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