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# GOVERNING BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 13 Series of 2019

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 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 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 Department of Foreign Affairs, through assessments undertaken by Philippine Embassies/Philippine Missions certified that the following host island-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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### **Asia Pacific**

- 1. Niue
- 2. Tokelau

#### **Africa**

- 3. Central African Republic
- 4. Senegal
- 5. Sao Tome e Principe

#### Europe

- 6. Svalbard Islands
- 7. Jan Mayen Islands
- 8. Swedish Oland Island
- 9. Finland's Aland Island

## **Americas**

- 10. Falkland Islands
- 11. Anguilla

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the POEA Governing Board in a meeting duly convened **RESOLVES AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, to include the above-enumerated countries as additional compliant counties in the list certified as compliant under the guarantees of R.A. 10022 and to continue the deployment of OFWs thereto.

Done in the City of Mandaluyong, the Philippines this 18th day of December 2019.

Secretary of Labor and Employment and Chairperson of the POEA Governing Board

BERNARD P. OLALIA
POEA Administrator and
Vice-Chair of the Governing Board

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