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GOVERNING BOARD RESOLUTION NO. **02**
Series of 2020

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WHEREAS, the DFA in its letter to DOLE dated 23 May 2018, lowered the Crisis Alert Level in Iraq to Alert Level 3 (Voluntary Repatriation Phase) from Alert Level 4 (Mandatory Repatriation Phase), while the travel ban to the no-go zones covering the northern half of Iraq (Salahuddin, Anbar, Nineveh and Kirkuk) will be maintained;

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WHEREAS, POEA issued Governing Board Resolution No. 6, Series of 2018 granting exemptions on the documentation of returning workers, except household service workers, in the deployment ban (Alert Level 3) under the selective Balik-Manggagawa Exemption Program as proposed by the DFA. The suspension on the processing and deployment of new hires as well as the travel ban to the no-go zones covering the northern half of Iraq (Salahuddin, Anbar, Nineveh and Kirkuk) is maintained; and

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WHEREAS, on 08 January 2020, the DFA in its letter to DOLE raised the Alert Level in the whole of Iraq to Alert Level 4 in view of the escalating tensions between Iran and the United States (US).

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NOW THEREFORE, the POEA Governing Board in a meeting duly convened, **RESOLVES AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, to impose a total deployment ban on the processing and deployment of all OFWs, including crew changes and shore leaves of Filipino seafarers in Iraq.

For immediate compliance.

Done in the City of Mandaluyong, Philippines, this 10th day of January 2020.

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SYLVESTER H. BELLO III
Secretary of Labor and Employment
and Chairperson of the POEA Governing Board

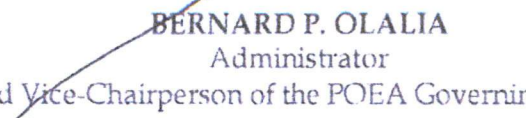
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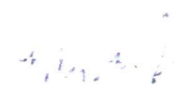
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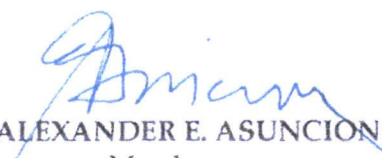
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