

GOVERNING BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 01
Series of 2022

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 03 March 2014, the DFA raised the crisis Alert Level 2 (Restriction Phase) in Ukraine in view of the ongoing tensions in the said areas;

WHEREAS, on 05 March 2014, POEA Governing Board Resolution No. 03, Series of 2014 was issued to impose a temporary suspension on the processing and deployment of newly-hired OFWs bound for Ukraine;

WHEREAS, on 07 March 2022, DFA Secretary Teodoro L. Locsin, Jr. in an official communication had informed the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) through Secretary Silvestre H. Bello III that it has placed Ukraine under Alert Level 4 in response to its worsening political and security situation;

WHEREAS, Alert Level 4 (Evacuation/Mandatory Repatriation) entails an absolute ban on deployment to Ukraine, including returning workers; and

WHEREAS, under Alert Level 4, a total ban on the processing and deployment of all workers is imposed and mandatory repatriation of OFWs shall be required and undertaken.

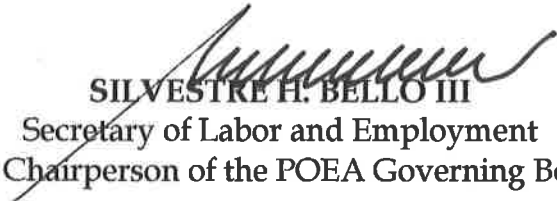
NOW, THEREFORE, the POEA Governing Board, in a meeting duly convened; **RESOLVES AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, to impose a total deployment ban to Ukraine, including crew change and shore leave of Filipino seafarers. The POEA Governing Board likewise directs the POEA to closely coordinate with the DFA, Overseas Workers Welfare Administration (OWWA), deploying licensed recruitment and manning agencies, and other concerned entities on the immediate and safe repatriation of OFWs in the said country.


Done in the City of Manila, Philippines, this 9th day of March 2022.


CONTROLLED AND DISSEMINATED
BY ORD ON MAR 11 2022


Handwritten signatures and initials on the left margin:
- Top: *Malaya*
- Middle: *Felix*
- Bottom: *Amor*


Dept. of Labor & Employment
Office of the Secretary
045938


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


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


NOEL M. MALAYA
Member
Private Sector Representative


ALEXANDER E. ASUNCION
Member
Landbased Sector Representative


FELIX M. OCA
Member
Seabased Sector Representative

CONTROLLED AND DISSEMINATED
BY CRD ON MAR 11 2022