

PRESS RELEASE
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Two recruitment agencies padlocked

The Philippine Overseas Employment Administration continues to discipline erring entities by closing down last week (November 22) a licensed recruitment agency and an unauthorized extension office suspected to be engaged in illegal recruitment.

Administrator Rosalinda Dimapilis-Baldoz said POEA operatives, carrying closure orders, padlocked the offices of Ren-glo Enterprises Placement Agency, Inc. at P. Guanzon St., Bgy. Poblacion, Makati City, and RM Marine Services, claimed to be an extension office of Supership Marine Services Inc., at 1446 Makiling St., Bgy. Palanan, also in Makati.

Ren-glo's license was suspended for failing to upgrade its escrow requirement but continued to engage in recruitment activities contrary to POEA rules. The agency's ploy was to recruit hotel workers for Spain by presenting to applicants a print-out of a supposed e-mail from employers in Spain. The owner, Atty. Renato Tomas was not present during the closure of his office.

RM Marine Services was reported to be recruiting seafarers in its Makati office without proper authorization from the POEA. The POEA is filing illegal recruitment cases against the officers and staff of the agency.

The closure orders were implemented with the assistance of the Makati police. ###