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POEA eyes online system for OFWs

Administrator Rosalinda Dimaplis-Baldoz said the long queues at the POEA offices would be a thing of the past as soon as an online system for documentation of overseas Filipino workers is implemented.

Baldoz said the POEA and OWWA Governing Boards have already approved the project that would be ready in time for the celebration of Migrant Workers Day on June 7, 2008.

The first phase of implementation would cover online processing of documents of returning or vacationing workers, which would also include a system for e-payment.

Baldoz said POEA and OWWA are negotiating with Globe and Smart for the development of an electronic card that is seen to replace the present overseas employment certificate (OEC).

Baldoz said the POEA never relents in its desire to further improve services to OFWs, including the installation of an electronic queuing system at the Labor Assistance Center (LAC) at the airports and other processing centers. The queuing systems at NAIA 1 and Balik-Manggagawa Processing Center are now operational while the systems for New Hires Unit and the One-Stop Shop for OFWs at the POEA lobby would be installed soon.

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