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Recruiter fails to deploy workers, loses license

Administrator Hans Leo J. Cacdac has ordered the cancellation of license of Mayon International Trading Corporation for various violations of the 2002 POEA Rules and Regulations including premature collection of fees.

Cacdac said nine (9) workers filed a recruitment violation case against Mayon International when it failed to deploy them even after they have paid placement fees to the agency.

Cacdac said the recruitment agency was held liable under Section 2 (a) Rule 1, Part VI of the 2002 POEA Rules and Regulations when it charged and made the applicants pay certain amounts of money in exchanged of a promised employment in Taiwan and Saudi Arabia, which were yet to be obtained for complainants.

Cacdac said the recruitment agency was also held liable for overcharging or collecting excessive placement fees from the applicants ranging from PhP40,000 to PhP50,000 for a supposed factory job in Saudi Arabia, and PhP150,000 for a promise to work in Taiwan.

Cacdac stressed that a recruitment agency is only allowed to charge an applicant placement fee that should not exceed the equivalent of the worker's one month salary.

The agency did not issue receipts to the complainants for their payments despite the requirements of the POEA Rules that appropriate receipts clearly showing the amount paid and the purpose for which payment was made must be issued for every amount collected from the applicant.

Mayon International was also found accountable for misrepresentation when it promised complainants non-existent jobs in Saudi Arabia and Taiwan.

“We are certain the promised employment was only a ploy in order to exact money from the unsuspecting applicants,” Cacdac said.

Cacdac said a respondent found guilty of committing an offense, regardless of the number or nature of charges against five (5) or more complainants in a single case, shall be imposed the penalty of cancellation of license. /end