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POEA suspends recruiter for providing OFW with two visas

Administrator Hans Leo J. Cacdac ordered the preventive suspension of Chanceteam International Services, Inc. for issuing two different visas to a household service worker bound for the United Arab Emirates.

Cacdac said the recruitment agency attempted to send a female worker to Dubai last month at Ninoy Aquino International Airport with visas for "sales staff" and "servant".

POEA officers prevented the worker from leaving the country when she presented two different visas for pre-departure verification at the Labor Assistance Center at NAIA Terminal 2.

Cacdac said that during the interrogation of the worker, she admitted that she was going to work as domestic helper in Dubai, and a representative of Chanceteam handed her two different UAE visas prior to her flight on April 14, 2014. The worker said the agent directed her to present the visa bearing the "sales staff" position at the airport and the "servant" visa to her employer in Dubai.

The worker narrated that when she reported to the recruitment agency the day following her failed departure, the agent instructed her to tell the POEA officers that the "servant" visa was obtained on her behalf by her cousin in Dubai but she absentmindedly brought it to the airport.

Cacdac said Chanceteam has committed serious violations relative to the recruitment and placement of the OFW, including misrepresentation and falsification of travel documents, and its continued operation will lead to further violation and exploitation of the workers it recruits.

With the order of preventive suspension, Chanceteam International Services, Inc. cannot recruit or deploy overseas Filipino workers until further ordered by the POEA./ END