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Another recruiter loses license for misrepresentation

The Philippine Overseas Employment Administration has cancelled the license of Non-Stop Employment Corporation for misrepresentation in connection with the deployment of a household service worker (HSW) for Kuwait.

Administrator Hans Leo J. Cacdac said the case started from the report of the Inter-Agency Council Against Trafficking (IACAT), which was endorsed by Justice Secretary Leila M. De Lima relative to the investigation of cases of trafficking of Filipinos to Kuwait. In the course of investigation, several recruitment agencies were mentioned including Non-Stop Employment Corporation and one of its recruited HSWs.

Cacdac said the agency committed misrepresentation when its employer failed to pay the worker the monthly salary indicated in the employment contract. The employer also transferred the worker to another employer from whose hands she suffered physical maltreatment.

The worker claimed she applied for employment in Kuwait for the position of domestic helper and was promised a salary of US\$400.00 per month, the minimum monthly salary the government prescribed for HSWs. However, the Kuwaiti employer paid her 65 Kuwaiti dinars which is equal to US\$112.00 only.

The recruitment agency's Kuwaiti counterpart transferred the HSW to another household when the original employer specified in the signed contract rejected her after working for a month.

The worker also testified that she suffered maltreatment with her second employer --working without enough sleep and food to sustain her strength.

Cacdac said that it was the agency's third offense of misrepresentation that warrants the penalty of cancellation.

He also penalized Suad Dahham Hassan Thamer Est. for Recruitment of Domestic Staff, the counterpart agency in Kuwait, with disqualification and ordered the inclusion of its name in the list of foreign principals/ employers disqualified from participating in the overseas employment program.

Cacdac ordered the case against the direct employers, Majde-Ameen Goos/Hanade Al Bargouthi/Aboracan archived and their names included in the list of disqualified employers until they submit to the jurisdiction of the POEA. /END