

News Release  
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## **POEA cancels recruiter's license for collecting Php110,000 placement fee from a domestic worker**

Administrator Hans Leo J. Cacdac yesterday warned recruitment agencies to stop collecting placement fees directly or indirectly from domestic workers, or else face the penalty of license cancellation.

Cacdac issued the warning as he ordered the cancellation of license of Jao International Manpower Services for charging placement fees amounting to Php110,000 from a household service worker it deployed to Romania.

The Administrator said Jao International violated POEA Governing Board Resolution No. 6, Series of 2006 when it collected placement fee from the worker.

“The GB Resolution prohibits the collection of placement fee from household service workers, whether collected prior to their deployment or on-site through salary deduction. Any collection in violation of the said prohibition is considered a grave offense punishable with the penalty of cancellation of license,” Cacdac added.

In her sworn statement, the HSW said she applied with Jao International in 2012 and was assured employment in Romania for a placement fee of Php110,000.00. She sold her house and lot to come up with the amount. She paid the placement fee to Rhoda Caradova, the recruitment agency's president, who did not issue the appropriate receipt.

Her contract was for 2 years with a salary of US\$400.00 but her Romanian employer terminated her employment after only four (4) months because the employer does not like the way she worked. She tried transferring to another employer but she was also rejected.

She returned to the Philippines after her previous employer bought her plane ticket.

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