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## POEA issues warning on fake UK jobs

The Philippine Overseas Employment Administration advised job applicants anew to be wary of job vacancies posted in the internet as advertisements enticing Filipino workers to apply for non-existent jobs in the United Kingdom are now circulating in the social media.

Administrator Hans Leo J. Cacdac said the ads show signs of a scam and should be ignored by job seekers.

In one Facebook account, the scammer used the name of a Philippine licensed recruitment agency to solicit applicants for jobs as factory workers, drivers, gardeners, cleaners, caregivers, nannies and private nurses for UK. Upon verification with the POEA's database, however, the agency's job orders from UK were only for nurses and mostly for National Health Services (NHS) hospitals, Cacdac said.

Cacdac said that as a general rule, given the strict migration policy of the United Kingdom, household jobs are not allowed to be recruited from non-European Economic Area (EEA) countries. The Philippines is not part of the European Economic Area.

"The Facebook advertisement is fraudulent because it promises overseas jobs through direct hiring, no placement fee, and a monthly salary as high as Php200,000, which are too good to be true," said Cacdac.

Cacdac said internet-based scammers have been using the name of legitimate employers and licensed agencies to attract unsuspecting victims

He advised applicants to always verify with the POEA the authenticity of published employment ads found in the social media. /END