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POEA bans deployment of OFWs to South Sudan

The Governing Board of the Philippine Overseas Employment Administration has issued a resolution imposing total deployment ban for South Sudan amid the worsening situation in the African nation.

The POEA Governing Board issued the deployment ban upon the recommendation of the Department of Foreign Affairs which raised the crisis alert level for South Sudan from 2 to 4 due to the “escalation of violence” between two warring local groups.

A total deployment ban, as well as a mandatory repatriation will be in effect in South Sudan under a crisis alert level 4.

Deployment of OFWs to South Sudan stays even after the civil war because of its non-compliance with the certification requirement from DFA as stipulated by Republic Act 10022 or the “Amended Migrant Workers and Overseas Filipinos Act.”

The certification is only issued to countries which have laws protecting migrant workers; or have a bilateral agreement with the Philippines; or are signatory/adopted international standards protection on the rights of migrant workers to ensure the welfare of our workers. /END