

## News Release

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# Beware of scammers posing as POEA

The Philippine Overseas Employment Administration (POEA) warns the public, particularly Filipino overseas job seekers to be wary of unscrupulous individuals who are presenting themselves as employees of the Administration and other entities who are using the name and logo of the POEA in their illegal activities.

In deceiving potential job applicants, the scammers use different schemes, including offering employment abroad, expedited transaction with the POEA, and financial solicitation.

The POEA has also observed the proliferation of Facebook pages bearing the name and logo of the Administration and advertising supposed job vacancies of recruitment agencies.

The act of misrepresentation as POEA personnel and unauthorized use of the Administration's name and logo for overseas recruitment are against the law and considered as illegal recruitment with penalty of imprisonment and fine.

The POEA advises overseas job applicants to exercise extreme caution and avoid dealing with the said illegal recruiters and to always verify job offers through the POEA verification system at the POEA website [www.poea.gov.ph](http://www.poea.gov.ph).

Likewise, the Administration encourages the public to report any illegal recruitment activities, especially those involved in the said illegal act, to the Philippine National Police or contact the POEA Anti-Illegal Recruitment Branch Operations and Surveillance Division at email [poea\\_airb\\_osd@yahoo.com](mailto:poea_airb_osd@yahoo.com) or by calling 8722-1192 or through its official Facebook page [www.facebook.com/airbranch](http://www.facebook.com/airbranch). ###