MATTERS RELATING TO CONTRACT WORKER EMPLOYMENT IN KUWAIT

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Based on reports submitted by the Philippine Embassy in Kuwait, overseas contract workers securing work permits to Kuwait should be aware of the following policies relative to their employment in Kuwait:

1. All expatriate workers caught working for an employer other than his/her sponsor will be deported for violation of Kuwait Labor Laws. Moves were undertaken by the Kuwaiti government to correct anomalies prevailing among overseas workers, including unauthorized transfers from one sponsor to another without securing prior clearance from the original sponsor and before the termination of contract term.

2. The Ministry of Social Affairs and Labor Officials have started compiling data on expatriate workers who have entered Kuwait using visitor's visa. Said Ministry has meanwhile suspended the issuance of visitor's visas.

3. The General [sic] of Immigration has started issuance of work permits under Article 20 (on domestic helpers). Entry visas for expatriate workers under Article 18 (sponsored by business establishments but not domestic helpers) have been issued effective 20 August 1991, while residence permits were issued starting 01 September 1991.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

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