

STREAMLINING AND EXPEDITING THE PROCEDURES GOVERNING THE ADMISSION TO OR STAY IN THE PHILIPPINES, AS TEMPORARY VISITORS, OF HOLDERS OF HONGKONG BRITISH PASSPORTS OR MACAO PORTUG...

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 932, January 19, 1984

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WHEREAS, in order to strengthen the friendly ties between the Filipino people and the Chinese nationals from the People's Republic of China (PROC), the Republic of China (Taiwan), Hong Kong and Macao, it has become necessary to streamline and expedite the procedures governing the admission to or stay in the Philippines of such Chinese nationals as temporary visitors;

WHEREAS, the Commission on Immigration and Deportation is in a better position to evaluate and monitor the cases of Chinese nationals who are in the Philippines as temporary visitors;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, by the virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Paragraph 1, sub-paragraph f, of Letter of Instructions No. 911, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"f. The maximum duration of the initial period of stay and of the extension thereof fixed in the foregoing sub-paragraph (a), for the holders of Hong Kong British passports and the maximum duration of the periods of stay fixed in the foregoing sub-paragraph b, c, and d for holders of Macao Portuguese passports and of Certificates of Identity (CI), respectively, shall be mandatory: Provided, however, That any further extension of the period of stay in sub-paragraph (a) and any extension of any of the periods of stay fixed in sub-paragraphs b, c, and d shall be allowed only upon the approval of the Commissioner of Immigration and Deportation."

SECTION 2. Paragraph 1, sub-paragraph A, of Letter of Instructions No. 1093, as amended by Executive Order No. 809, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"A. Tourist visas on individual basis may be issued to Chinese nationals who are holders of valid People's Republic of China (PROC) passports, their accompanying spouses and minor children whose names and pictures are included in a collective passport for entry into the Philippines for a stay of not more than twenty-one (21) days without the necessity of posting any cash bond, as an exception to the Cabinet Policy of March 10, 1954. The maximum period of stay herein fixed may only be extended for very compelling reasons and under exceptional circumstances by the Commissioner of Immigration and Deportation."

SECTION 3. Paragraph 1, sub-paragraph B(c), of Letter of Instructions No. 1093, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(c) Only upon submission or presentation of a valid CID official receipt evidencing payment of the corresponding cash bond and the Affidavit of Guarantee to the MFA Consular Affairs Office will the Ministry of Foreign Affairs authorize the consulate concerned to the issue.

The initial period of stay of three months may be extended by the Commissioner of Immigration and Deportation on valid grounds, but total length of stay shall not exceed one (1) year from date of entry.”

SECTION 4. The penultimate paragraph of Letter of Instructions No. 1106, as amended by Executive Order No. 808, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

“NOW, therefore, LOI 911, as amended by LOI 1106, should be as it is hereby amended so as to allow the issuance of tourist visas on individual basis to Chinese nationals, who are holders of Taipei passports, for entry into the Philippines for a stay of not more than twenty-one (21) days, without the necessity of posting any cash bond, as an exception to the Cabinet Policy of March 10, 1954. The maximum period of stay herein fixed may only be extended for very compelling reasons and under exceptional circumstances by the Commissioner of Immigration and Deportation.”

SECTION 5. The Commissioner of Immigration and Deportation shall promulgate the necessary guidelines for the implementation of this Executive Order.

SECTION 6. All provisions of Letters of Instructions Nos. 911, 1067, 1093 and 1106, Executive Order Nos. 808 and 809, and all other Letters of Instructions, Executive Orders, rules and regulations, inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby amended, modified or repealed accordingly.

SECTION 7. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, Philippines, this 19th day of January, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Four.

(SGD.) FERDINAND E. MARCOS

President of the Philippines

By the President:

(SGD.) JOAQUIN T. VENUS, JR.

Deputy Presidential Executive Assistant

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