

PARTIAL LIFTING OF WORKER DEPLOYMENT BAN ON LIBYA

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Pursuant to POEA Governing Board Resolution No. 10, Series of 2011 which lowered the alert level on Libya from alert Level 4 to alert Level 2, effectively allowing the gradual re-deployment of returning workers to the said country, the following guidelines governing the documentation of returning OFWs based in Libya are hereby issued;

A. Coverage

These guidelines shall apply only to the following returning workers:

- Those working in the medical and oil sectors who have been repatriated due to the armed conflict in Libya and who are returning to work with the same employer; and
- Those who come home for vacation and are returning to an existing employment in the medical and oil sectors under a valid contract of employment.

B. Restrictions

The following are not covered under the partial lifting of the worker deployment ban:

- New hires.
- Those returning to work in sectors other than medical and oil sectors.
- Those returning to work in medical and oil sectors but not under the same employment contract or the same employer.

C. Requirements for Processing of travel exit clearance

- Passport valid at least 6 months from date of return to jobsite;
- Valid employment visa or equivalent document;
- Recall order from employer;
- Proof of previous employment with the same employer (such as employment contract, pay slip, or equivalent document);
- Valid employment contract; and
- Proof of the mandatory/compulsory insurance coverage (for agency hires earlier deployed without insurance coverage).

These guidelines shall take effect immediately.

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