ADVISORY TO THE PUBLIC

Pursuant to pronouncements from the Office of the President, the government extended the Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ) in Metro Manila, Central Luzon (except Aurora), Calabarzon (Region 4-A), Pangasinan, Benguet, Baguio City, Iloilo, Cebu, Cebu City, Davao City, Bacolod City, and the Province of Albay until May 15, and placed other areas under General Community Quarantine (GCQ).

In this regard and in compliance to the foregoing directives, transactions as prescribed in the advisories dated 19 March 2020 and 26 March 2020 remain suspended except for outbound passengers intending to depart the Philippines.

All aliens whose visas will expire during said period shall be allowed to file their applications for extension without fines and penalties provided they submit their applications within thirty (30) days from the lifting of this suspension.

Further, the Bureau shall waive the payment of fines and penalties related to the application of visa extension of all outbound passengers whose visa extension expired during the period of the ECQ/GCQ.

The Bureau shall maintain its skeletal workforce to cater outbound passengers who intend to depart the Philippines during the ECQ/GCQ period. Outbound passengers will be required to present their outbound tickets prior to entry at BI offices.

The Bureau shall announce through its official channels the lifting of suspension of transactions, following developments in the quarantine measures set by the government.

Kindly check the official website for further Advisories/Announcements.

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SIGNED
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Commissioner