

Travel Advisory

BI Advisory for foreign outbound passengers

In an advisory, the Bureau of Immigration said it will temporarily adopt several clearance procedures for the duration of the Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ) period to support the government in containing the spread of COVID-19, and in compliance with the guidelines of the ECQ:

- Holders of **temporary visitor's visas** who have stayed in the country for less than one year may secure **Emigration Clearance Certificates (ECCs)** at the international airports. Derogatory records checking before issuance of ECCs is done to ensure that any foreign national who wish to leave the country has no pending obligation with the government.
- Holders of **approved and implemented visas but are awaiting for the release of their ACR-I Cards** may depart upon presentation of:

- Passport with valid visa (implementation stamp) affixed therein;
- Official receipts of ACR-I card waiver application and ECC/RP or ECC/SRC.

*Said foreign nationals are advised to safe keep all official receipts (in place of the ACR-I card waiver) as it must be presented upon return to the Philippines

- Holders of **approved but unimplemented visas**, may depart upon presentation of:
 - Valid passport
 - Printout name from agenda list when said visa was approved DOJ indorsement, or certification from approving office (whichever is applicable)
 - Official receipts of visa application and ECC/RP or ECC/SRC, update of tourist visa (if applicable)

*Said foreign nationals should likewise immediately proceed to BI main office upon return to apply for revalidation and implementation of the visa on their pass port.

BI also assured that it has deployed adequate personnel to serve passengers of repatriation and sweeper flights at the Ninoy Aquino International Airport amidst the ongoing ECQ.

In a report, the institution confirmed that from March 30 to April 8 a total of 140 flights arrived at the NAIA terminal 1, while 126 flights departed.

The Bureau of Immigration also encourages foreign nationals to contact them for inquiries and may reach them through the following:



(632) 8465-2400
(632) 8524-3769



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