EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES



Botschaft der Republik der Philippinen

## ADVISORY

## TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF CONSULAR OPERATIONS DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC

In view of the latest developments in relation to the COVID-19 situation in Germany and the latest measures taken by the German Government to control the further spread of infections particularly through calls for restrictions on public life, the Philippine Embassy in Berlin will temporarily suspend its consular operations effective Thursday, 19 March 2020, until further notice.

During this period of suspension, you may reach the Embassy through the following:

• Via email:

o consular@philippine-embassy.de (consular matters in general)

o passport.berlinpe@gmail.com for passport matters

o visa.berlinpe@gmail.com for visa matters

o civilregistry.berlinpe@gmail.com for civil registry (Reports of Birth/Marriage/Death) matters

• Emergency Mobile Number for Emergency cases only (also via Whatsapp or Sms):

+49 173 521 5703 and +49 173 4217750

For labor/employment-related matters, please contact the Philippine Overseas Labor Office (POLO-Berlin): • Email: polo\_germany@dole.gov.ph

• Mobile number (whatsapp, viber): +49 152 3765 7614 ; +49 176 6151 2953

Our other offices in Germany may be reached via the following:

PH Consulate General in Frankfurt (www.frankfurtpcg.de) Email: <u>frankfurt.pcg@dfa.gov.ph</u> (general queries) ; <u>frankfurtpcg.consular@dfa.gov.ph</u> (consular queries) Hotline: +49 151 6248 7425, Assistance-to-nationals: +49 151 5354 6841

PH Trade and Investment Center (PTIC): berlin@dti.gov.ph

PH Department of Tourism Office (PDOT): <u>tourism@philippine-embassy.de</u>; info@morefunphilippines.de PH Honorary Consulate Stuttgart: Phone # +49 711 1445 268; <u>bw-hc@philippine-embassy.de</u> PH Honorary Consulate Munich: Phone # +49 89 72444850 80; <u>hc.bavaria@philippine-embassy.de</u> PH Honorary Consulate Essen: Phone # +49 0201 8013220; <u>phil.con@steag.com</u>

We kindly ask for your kind consideration not to use the emergency mobile numbers for routine consularrelated inquiries or follow-ups which may be communicated by email, to ensure that Filipinos in distress and who need urgent assistance can easily get through.

For those who require information about or assistance on behalf of a German national in the Philippines, please visit the website of the German Embassy in the Philippines (www.manila.diplo.de).

For your protection and that of the larger community, the public is urged to avoid crowds and non-essential activities/outings around your communities, to postpone non-essential local and cross-border travel, and, to abide by the guidelines of the German government in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Embassy continues to monitor the situation arising from the COVID-19 pandemic. Please follow our website (www.philippine-embassy.de) and FB page (@PHinGermany) for relevant Philippine and/or local situation updates on COVID-19.

Thank you once again for your understanding and cooperation.

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