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**TRANSFER OF REGISTRATION RECORDS OF OVERSEAS VOTERS
TO LOCAL REGISTRY FOR PURPOSES OF THE 2016 BARANGAY
AND SANGUNIAN KABATAAN IS NOW OPEN**

(Riyadh, 17 July 2016) – The Philippine Embassy in Riyadh is pleased to inform the Filipino Community in Saudi Arabia that applications for transfer of registration records of Overseas Voters to their local municipality/city/district registry in the Philippines for purposes of the 2016 Barangay and Sangunian Kabataan elections may now be filed at the Philippine Embassy in Riyadh.

Pursuant to COMELEC Resolution No. 10152 promulgated on 15 July 2016, Overseas Voters (OVs) in Saudi Arabia who wish to vote in the 2016 Barangay and Sangunian Kabataan elections may now file applications to transfer back their records as OVs from abroad to their local municipality/city/district registry in the Philippines.

Interested applicants must accomplish the attached form OVF No. 1B and file their applications in person at the Philippine Embassy in Riyadh, Diplomatic Quarter in Riyadh from 8AM to 5PM, Sundays to Thursdays from 15 to 30 July 2016. Applicants are requested to bring copies of their original Philippine passports or their voter's ID.

In accordance with Section 5 of Resolution 10152, the Resolution is *not* applicable to OVs who will apply for transfer of registration records from abroad to the local registry of municipality/city/district *other than* his or her residence as indicated in OVF No.1 or as recorded in local Certified List of Voters (CVL).END



Republic of the Philippines
COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS
 Manila

IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER
 OF REGISTRATION RECORDS OF
 OVERSEAS VOTERS FROM POST
 TO LOCAL REGISTRY FOR
 PURPOSES OF THE
 FORTHCOMING BARANGAY
 AND SANGGUNIANG
 KABATAAN ELECTIONS.

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PROMULGATED July 15, 2016

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RESOLUTION NO. 10152

WHEREAS, Section 9 of R.A. 10590 amending R.A 9189 provides that

"SEC. 9. A new Section 10 of the same Act is hereby inserted to read as follows:

"SEC. 10. Transfer of Registration Record. - In the event of change of voting venue, an application for transfer of registration record must be filed by the overseas voter with the OFOV, through its Chairperson, at least one hundred eighty (180) days prior to the start of the overseas voting period: Provided, That those who would eventually vote in the Philippines should register within the time frame provided for local registration in the municipality, city or district where they intend to vote: Provided, further, That those who have registered in the municipality, city or district where they resided prior to their departure abroad need not register anew: Provided, finally, That transferees shall notify the OFOV, through its Chairperson, of their transfer back to the Philippines at least one hundred eighty (180) days prior to the next national elections for purposes of cancelling their names"

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WHEREAS, there are overseas voters who are requesting to transfer their registrations from Post to local registry for purposes of participating in the forthcoming Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Elections;

WHEREAS, Articles 46, 48, and 49, Rule 10 COMELEC Resolution No. 9843 provides for the period and procedures of transfer of registration of overseas voters from Post to the Philippine municipality/city/district from the same or other than the voters' residence which is one hundred eighty (180) days before the day of the elections;

WHEREAS, the Commission has been granted the power to designate other certain pre-election acts when the periods and dates prescribed by law is no longer reasonable as provided under Sec. 29 of R.A. 6646, to wit:

" Sec. 29. Designation of Other Dates for Certain Pre-elections Acts. - If it should no longer be reasonably possible to observe the periods and dates prescribed by law for certain pre-election acts, the Commission shall fix other periods and dates in order to ensure accomplishment of the activities so voters shall not be deprived of their right of suffrage."

WHEREAS, it is imperative to harmonize the provisions of R.A. 9189 as amended by R.A. 10590 on the period for filing of applications for transfer vis-à-vis the constitutional right of suffrage of every qualified Filipino citizens in order not to deprive them of their right to participate in the forthcoming Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Elections.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Commission on Elections, pursuant to the authority vested in it under the Constitution, R.A. 9189 as amended by R.A. 10590, R.A. 6646 and other pertinent election laws, **RESOLVED**, as it hereby **RESOLVES** to promulgate the following procedures on the transfer of registration of overseas voters from Posts to the local registry.

SECTION 1. Period to file application for transfer. - Overseas voter who intends to participate in the Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Elections may file an application for transfer of registration records from Post to local registry from July 15-30, 2016.

Sec. 2. What to file. - All applicants for transfer shall accomplish and file applications for transfer (OVF No. 1-B). Copy of which is hereto attached.

Sec. 3. Where to file applications for transfer. - Applications for transfer may be filed at the following:

- a. Office for Overseas Voting (OFOV)
- b. Office of the Election Officer (OEO)
- c. Embassy/Consulate

In case the application for transfer is filed at the OEO or Embassy/Consulate, these offices shall, within twenty-four (24) hours from filing, transmit the duly accomplished OVF No. 1-B through the fastest means available to:

Office for Overseas Voting
7th Floor, Palacio del Gobernador Bldg.,
Intramuros, Manila
Telefax No. : 02(521-29-52)
Email : ovr2016@gmail.com

Sec. 4. Procedures. - The following procedures shall be observed by the OEO, the Embassy/Consulate and the OFOV;

A. OFFICE OF THE ELECTION OFFICER

1. Transmit the application for transfer to the OFOV immediately upon receipt thereof through the fastest means available, by facsimile or email;
2. Remove the annotation in the registration records and in the Certified List of Voters (CVL), in case the overseas voter transfers his/her registration records from Post to the same Philippine municipality/city/district.

B. EMBASSY/CONSULATE

1. Transmit the application for transfer to the OFOV immediately upon receipt thereof through the faster means available, by facsimile or email;

B. OFOV

1. Upon receipt of the applications for transfer, verify whether the applicant is a registered overseas voter. If so, the application for transfer shall be transmitted to the Commissioner-in-charge of the Office for Overseas Voting for approval. If not, the application for transfer shall be disapproved.

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2. Immediately communicate to the OEO and embassy/consulate concerned the action of the Commissioner-in-charge of the Office for Overseas Voting on the application for transfer;

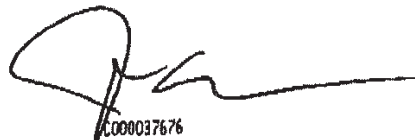
3. Cancel from the National Registry of Overseas Voters (NROV) and remove the overseas registrations records from the Book of Voters in case the application for transfer is approved.

Sec. 5. None applicability. - This resolution is not applicable to overseas voters who will apply for transfer of registration from Post to the local registry of municipality/city/district other than his/her residence as indicated in OVF No. 1 or as recorded in the local CVL.

Sec. 6. Dissemination. - The Education and Information Department shall cause the publication of this Resolution in two (2) daily newspaper of general circulation in the Philippines and to furnish copies hereof the Department of Foreign Affairs, all Regional Election Directors, Provincial Election Supervisors and Election Officers.

Sec. 7. Effectivity. - This Resolution shall take effect immediately after publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines

SO ORDERED.



J. ANDRES D. BAUTISTA
Chairman



CHRISTIAN ROBERT S. LIM
Commissioner



AL A. PARRENO
Commissioner

LUIE TITO F. GUIA
Commissioner



ARTHUR D. LIM
Commissioner



MA. ROWENA AMELIA V.
GUANZON
Commissioner



SHERIFF M. ABAS
Commissioner

OVF No. 1B

**LETTER-REQUEST FOR
TRANSFER OF REGISTRATION RECORD**

(Date)

**HON. ARTHUR D. LIM
COMMISSIONER IN-CHARGE
OFFICE FOR OVERSEAS VOTING**

Commissioner Lim:

I have applied for registration/certification as overseas voter / I am a registered overseas voter of _____
(Past/Country)

I indicated in my application form that my "Address for Purposes of Voting" / "Residence Abroad" is at _____

I specified that my name should be included in the Certified List of Overseas Voters (CLOV) in the country indicated in my "Address for Purposes of Voting" / "Residence Abroad".

However, for some personal/official reason, I intend to change my voting venue and my new address would be _____

In this connection, I would like to request the Commission on Elections, through the Office for the Overseas Voting (OFOV), to take the appropriate action thereon.

(Signature Above Printed Name)

Birth Date: _____

Last name: _____

First name: _____

Maternal name: _____

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this ____ day of _____ 201__.

Administering Officer

Note: (To be accomplished in two (2) copies)