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PRESS RELEASE

The **Philippine Consulate General** in Toronto wishes to inform the public that a Consular Outreach Team will travel to Saskatoon, Saskatchewan to render consular services for the Filipino community on **06 - 09 September 2014** (Saturday, Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday).

SCHEDULE

SASKATOON, SK

Saturday, 06 September

Sunday, 07 September

Monday, 08 September

Tuesday, 09 September

8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Venue: St. Patrick's Parish Centre (Basement Hall)
3339 Centennial Drive
Saskatoon, SK S7L 6V4

RENEWAL OF PHILIPPINE PASSPORTS (E-PASSPORT) – For appointments, kindly register and submit applicant's full name, phone number, and email address by following this link – <http://filcas.ca/services.php> . Applicants who do not have access to internet can send their information via text at 1-306-292-6452. Please ensure that your application for passport renewal can be processed during the outreach **by setting an appointment** on a "first come, first served basis." Only those whose names are on the list of confirmed appointments will be processed on their scheduled day and time during the outreach mission.

- Applicants are urged to be on time for their appointments. Those who arrive late may still be accommodated, only after those who were given appointments for that particular hour shall have been served or, at the end of the day when all those who arrived on time would have been served, subject to the availability of the slots.
- To ensure efficient processing and maximize consular services, applicants are requested to accomplish fully and well the application form for the renewal of their passports prior to their appointment and to make sure that they have all necessary documentary requirements (original and photocopy) on hand. Forms can be downloaded from the following site <http://www.philcongen-toronto.com/consular/docs/EPPT2014.pdf>. Forms are also available at the Office of the Consulate General in Winnipeg and during the consular outreach.

REQUIREMENTS FOR E-PASSPORT APPLICATION:

- Applicant should bring the **ORIGINAL** passport for renewal;
- Photocopy of data page of latest passport where photo is affixed;
- Applicant must present a **VALID** work permit **or** a **VALID** permanent resident card (PRC), **or** Canadian Landing papers, **or** any proof that Canadian citizenship has not been granted or obtained, and a photocopy of such document. If PRC has already expired, a copy of the receipt of payment for its renewal must be submitted;
- Attire: Applicants must not wear any loud and/or oversized jewelry and/or facial piercings. Male applicants, both young and old, must wear a shirt with a collar.
- Standard-sized pre-paid **NATIONAL** Xpresspost envelope, with signature sticker, will be required for each applicant or couple. For a family/group of three (3) applicants or more, large-sized pre-paid **NATIONAL** Xpresspost, with signature sticker, must be provided;
- Fee of C\$69.00 shall be paid only in **cash**. * **Credit cards and debit cards will not be accepted.**

The biometric capture of data, photo, signature, and fingerprint/s of each applicant takes some time. We ask for your patience while waiting for your turn.

Due to the large number of applications for the ePassport, applicants should allow 2 to 3 months from the date of filing of the application for the release of their new passports which are sent from the Home Office to Post on installment basis. Please be reminded that the new ePassport cannot be issued *unless the old passport is surrendered to the Consulate General for cancellation.*

OTHER SERVICES OFFERED:

1. **Notarization of Documents** – Bring your document and personally sign it before one of the members of the consular team. Requirements: photocopy of valid passport and fee of C\$28.75.
2. **Authentication of NBI Clearance applications** – Fingerprinting will be done by the team. Requirements: One (1) colored passport-sized photo with white background taken not more than three (3) months ago and fee of C\$28.75.
3. **Consultation on Dual Citizenship/Administration of Oaths of Allegiance to the Republic of the Philippines** – Applicants are encouraged to submit their application form and requirements to the Philippine Consulate in Toronto for review, either by mail or e-mail, before the dates of the consular outreach mission. Applicants will be informed of the schedule of oath-taking during the outreach. Fee is C\$57.50 and for unmarried minor (below 18 years old) children of applicant, fee is C\$ 28.75. For more information on Dual Citizenship/Oath of allegiance, please visit: www.philcongen-toronto.com/consular/consular_dual.php.
4. **Overseas Voting Registration** - All Filipinos, not otherwise disqualified by law, and who are at least 18 years of age by the time of the May 2016 elections, are enjoined to register, exercise their fundamental right to vote, and recognize their significant role in nation-building. Registrants are requested to accomplish the OV Form prior to appointment, which can be downloaded from this link http://www.comelec.gov.ph/uploads/pdf/ov_forms_2014/OAVF_No1_REVISIED_MARCH_2014.pdf. Please bring a photocopy of your valid Philippine passport, or any other identity document which certifies your Philippine citizenship. You will be issued a voter's ID from COMELEC via mail, which can also serve as your identification card in Canada. Your ballot will be mailed likewise to your address in Canada, with the list of candidates and procedures on voting. For voting purposes in May 2016, you can also mail your duly-accomplished ballots to the Philippine Consulate General in Toronto.

For further inquiries, please email the Philippine Consulate General in Toronto at consularmatters@philcongen-toronto.com or visit our website at www.philcongen-toronto.com.

*Cash payments for fees, if possible, are preferred in exact amount/s. Thank you.

07 July 2014, Toronto, Canada

