WARNING ON THE ILLEGAL RECRUITMENT OF WORKERS UNDER AUSTRALIAN AGRICULTURE VISA PROGRAM

The Philippine Overseas Employment Administration (POEA) received reports that several individuals and entities are recruiting Filipino workers to work under the Australian Agriculture Worker Program.

The Administration and the Philippine Overseas Labor Office in Australia would like to inform the public that the Philippines is not yet engaged in the Australian Agriculture Worker Program and there is no bilateral agricultural visa arrangement that is currently in place between the two countries.

Those who were victimized by these illegal recruiters are enjoined to report the matter to the POEA for investigation and filing of appropriate cases. Information on avoiding recruitment scams are available at our website (www.poea.gov.ph) and the Anti-Illlegal Recruitment Branch Facebook page (www.facebook.com/airbranch).

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

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