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TO

: ALL LICENSED PHILIPPINE RECRUITMENT AND MANNING AGENCIES

SUBJECT: SUBMISSION OF MONITORING REPORTS IN THE OVERSEAS FILIPINO

WORKERS (OFW) WELFARE MONITORING SYSTEM (OWMS)

POEA Memorandum Circular (MC) No. 9, Series (S), of 2019, provides that the OWMS is the tool to be used by the Philippine Recruitment Agencies (PRAs) and Licensed Manning Agencies (LMAs) in submitting reports on the status and condition of deployed OFWs who are onsite and seafarers onboard. Advisories No. 1 and 97, S. of 2020 reiterated that said reportorial requirement in the OWMS.

MC No. 9 also provides that initial report on the status and condition of newly deployed OFWs onsite and seafarers onboard shall be done within three (3) months after deployment. Updates on their status and condition should be submitted every quarter thereafter. However, significant and critical incidents involving a deployed Filipino worker should be reported to the POEA within five (5) days from occurrence thereof.

Monitoring the status and condition of deployed Filipino workers is in compliance with Section 209, Rule I, Part VIII of the Revised POEA Rules and Regulations Governing the Recruitment and Employment of Landbased Overseas Filipino Workers of 2016 and Section 193, Rule I, Part VI of the 2016 Revised POEA Rules and Regulations Governing the Recruitment and Employment of Seafarers, and MC the No. 12, S. of 2018.

In view of the foregoing, all PRAs and LMAs are hereby advised to create and/or update not later than 31 March 2021, the welfare records in the OMWS of all deployed OFWs and seafarers who are still onsite or onboard.

Failure to submit the required reports shall warrant the imposition by the Administration of such sanctions as it may deem appropriate.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

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