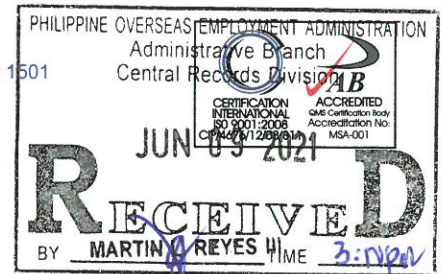




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Ireland's Regularization Scheme for Undocumented Workers

Ireland's Ministry of Justice announced the proposed Ireland's Regularization Scheme for Undocumented Workers, which is expected to regularize thousands of undocumented migrants in Ireland. Although still undergoing consultations with stakeholders, the scheme is expected to start by the end of 2021. The undocumented workers will only be given approximately 6 months from the scheme's roll out for the submission of their applications.

Filipinos who have been in Ireland for four (4) years, or three (3) years in the case of those with children without immigration permission may be allowed to be regular stayers. Applicants who will meet the eligibility requirements will be granted immigration permission and access to the labor market, including the opportunity to pursue Irish citizenship by way of naturalization. When assessing applications under this scheme, regard will be given to the character and conduct of an individual.

The Migrants Rights Centre Ireland (MRCI) has requested the assistance of the Philippine Embassy in London through the Philippine Overseas Labor Office (POLO) in London, in ensuring that undocumented Filipino migrants in Ireland will be able to renew their passports in advance of the anticipated regularization scheme.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.


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