

[BOI Operations Order No. SBM-2015-024, July 20, 2015]

ADDENDUM TO OPERATIONS ORDER NO. SBM-2015-007, DATED 20 MARCH 2015, PROVIDING FOR THE REVISED GUIDELINES IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF VISAS UNDER SECTION 47(A)(2), COMMONWEALTH ACT NO. 613, AS AMENDED

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WHEREAS, Operations Order No. SBM-2015-007, entitled "Revised Guidelines in the Implementation of Visas under Section 47(a)(2), Commonwealth Act No. 613, As Amended", prescribed exemption on registration and immigration fees to certain visa holders under Section 47(a)(2);

WHEREAS, Section 3 of Presidential Decree No. 2022, dated 31 January 1986, provides:

" Foreign scholars, trainees, participants, students, fellows or professors appointed, selected, hired, employed or otherwise by BRENT SCHOOL shall be allowed entry as special non-immigrants under Sec. 47(a)(2) of the Philippine Immigration Act of 1940, as amended, and as such, shall be exempted from the payment of visa and immigration fees; Provided, however, that such persons are holder of valid passports and are not otherwise disqualified from entering the Philippines."

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the rule-making authority of the Commissioner of Immigration under Section 3 of Commonwealth Act No. 613, as amended, Operations Order No. SBM-2015-007 is hereby amended to include **holders of Section 47(a)(2) visas issued pursuant to Section 3 of Presidential Decree No. 2022 as exempt from payment of visa and immigration fees and from obtaining alien certificates and all types of BI clearances.**

This Operations Order shall take effect immediately.

Furnish a copy of this Order to the Office of the National Administrative Register (ONAR), U.P. Law Center, University of the Philippines, Diliman, Quezon City.

20 July 2015

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Commissioner
