

[DOT, September 26, 1995]

**FURTHER AMENDING THE RULES AND REGULATIONS
GOVERNING THE ACCREDITATION OF TRAVEL AND TOUR
SERVICES**

Pursuant to the Authority Vested in the Department of Tourism (DOT) by Executive Order No. 120 "To Promulgate Rules and Regulations Governing the Operations and Activities of All Persons, Firms, Entities, and Establishments that Cater to Tourists, To Provide Standards for Accreditation of Hotels, Resorts, and To Prescribe Rules and Regulations Governing the Issuance of Licenses to Travel Agencies", in Relation to Republic Act No. 7160, Otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 on the Devolution of DOT's Regulatory Functions Over Tourist Establishments, the following amended provision of the rules and regulations governing the accreditation of travel and tour services is hereby promulgated.

SECTION 1. Section 35, Chapter X of the Rules and Regulations Governing the Accreditation of Travel and Tour Services is hereby amended to read, as follows:

"SEC. 35. Grounds for Cancellation of Accreditation - Any of the following acts or omissions shall be sufficient ground for the cancellation of accreditation of the tourist establishment:

- a. Making any false declaration or statement or making use of any such declaration or statement or any document containing the same or committing fraud or any act of misrepresentation for the purpose of obtaining the grant of accreditation;
- b. Failure to maintain the standards and requirements for accreditation as prescribed under these Rules;
- c. Promoting, facilitating, or conducting activities constituting prostitution particularly those involving children, as part of a tour for both foreign and domestic tourists;
- d. Violation of or non-compliance with any of the provisions of these Rules, promulgated orders, decisions and circulars issued by the Department and other concerned government agencies; and
- e. Any other act or omission that works against the interest of the tourism industry."

SECTION 2. Effectivity - This amended provision shall take effect thirty (30) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

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