

[BI OFFICE MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. MCL-08-001, January 09, 2008]

SUPPLEMENTAL GUIDELINES ON PERMANENT RESIDENT VISA OF CHINESE NATIONALS IN THE PHILIPPINES

To supplement Office Memorandum Order No. MCL-07-005 dated December 21, 2007 (*Implementing Guidelines for the Permanent Resident Visa of Chinese in the Philippines*) following are hereby prescribed:

1. *Probationary Period* - The spouse or Child/ren of a Filipino citizen or lawful permanent resident alien, as the case may be, upon proper application, qualification and approval by the Board of Commissioners, shall be granted a permanent resident visa for an initial probationary period of one (1) year and after which upon proper application, qualification, and approval by the Board of Commissioners, shall be granted a permanent status.

An application for permanent status shall be filed one (1) month prior to the expiration of the probationary period. In no case, an expired permanent resident visa on probationary status shall be entertained for application for permanent status.

Permanent resident visa on a probationary status, however, shall not apply to an applicant who has been previously a holder of temporary resident visa (TRV) as he/she is deemed to have passed the probationary period.

The above additional implementing guidelines shall take effect immediately.

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