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IMPLEMENTING RULES GOVERNING ISSUANCE OF VISA UPON ARRIVAL TO BUSINESSMEN ENDORSED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY (DTI), THE PHILIPPINE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRIES (PCCI), THE CURRENT TOP 1000 CORPORATIONS AND THE FOREIGN CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRIES (FCCI)

WHEREAS, pursuant to Memorandum Circular No. AFF-06-016, the Bureau of Immigration will issue visa upon arrival to businessmen endorsed by DTI, PCCI, current Top 1000 Corporations and FCCI;

WHEREAS, Section 9 (a) of Commonwealth Act (C.A.) No. 613, as amended, provides that "aliens departing from any place outside the Philippines who are otherwise admissible and who qualify within one of the following categories, may be admitted as non-immigrants: (a) A temporary visitor coming for business or for pleasure or for reasons of health;

WHEREAS, Section 3 of C.A. no. 613 authorizes the Immigration Commissioner to issue rules and regulations necessary for the implementation of all immigration laws;

WHEREFORE, the following rules are hereby adopted to implement Memorandum Circular No. AFF-06-016.

SECTION 1. Requirements for the issuance of the visa -

- a. Duly accomplished application form containing the following information:
 - name as appearing on the passport/travel document
 - Date/Place of Birth
 - Nationality, passport number, place and date of issue and validity
 - Permanent foreign and local addresses of applicant
 - Flight details
 - Travel itinerary
 - Sponsoring business organization/DTI, address, name of authorized officer and his signature
- b. Letter request from the authorized representative of DTI;

Only DTI may request the Bureau to issue Visa Upon Arrival. The three agencies/ entities namely, Top 1000 Corporations, PCCI, and FCCI should