

**[POEA MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 12,
February 26, 1996]**

**STRICT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE POLICY ON SINGLE
ACCREDITATION**

It has been observed that Taiwan principals/employers avail of the services of a second agent notwithstanding existing guidelines on accreditation of principals and projects per Memorandum Circular No. 35, Series of 1991. This practice has brought about an unhealthy competition among industry players to the detriment of workers whose interest this Administration is mandated to protect.

In order to arrest the adverse effects of dual accreditation not consistent with the conditions set forth in paragraph A of Memorandum Circular No. 35, the following guidelines are hereby reiterated:

1. The use of a second agent by a principal/employer may be given due course only if the project calls for the urgent deployment of 200 or more workers.
2. Likewise, when a project calls for the recruitment of highly specialized manpower categories, a second agent shall be allowed.

Documents verified by the MECO Labor Center (MLC) prior to 15 March 1995 shall be treated as pipeline accounts. As such, the same shall be approved upon compliance with existing requirements for accreditation.

Guidelines for accreditation of existing principals/employers, transfer of accreditation, and validity of accreditation, as provided in MC 35 remain valid.

Concerned agencies are enjoined to inform their principals/employers of the existing policy on single accreditation.

For strict compliance.

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