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A CUHK professor calls the Philippine Supreme Court ruling on the Torre de Manila case as a 'missed opportunity'.

## Bello hints PH-China labor pact



**LABOR DAY.** Migrant domestic workers join the May 1 Labor Day rally and march that began at the Victoria Park in Causeway Bay. Migrant groups decry long working hours, saying at least 137 foreign domestic workers died in Hong Kong last year owing to, among others, lack of rest time.

By Maia Lopez

CHINA and the Philippines are expected to conclude a labor agreement that will expand the market and ensure ample protection for overseas Filipino workers.

Labor Secretary Silvestre Bello III said

the agreement may be firmed up during the visit of President Rodrigo Duterte to Beijing on May 13.

"We are still working out the details, but there may be a labor agreement that will benefit our OFWs," Bello said.

Duterte will be in Beijing to attend the

Belt and Road Forum, his last leg in a two-country swing that will begin in Cambodia for the World Economic Forum on Asean and in Hong Kong for a meeting with the OFW community.

When the President first visited China last year, one of the issues raised was the

need to assist some 200,000 undocumented OFWs in the mainland.

ACTS-OFW partylist Rep. John Bertiz earlier said the undocumented workers are mostly employed as household helpers

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# FDWs press for better pay, suitable accommodations

By Ally Constantino

FOREIGN domestic workers in Hong Kong would continue to push for the increase in the minimum allowable wage and food allowance, standardized working hours, and even their inclusion to the Mandatory Provident Fund (MPF) scheme.

Eman Villanueva, secretary-general of United Filipinos-Migrante-Hong Kong, cited "three Ws" as their petition to the Hong Kong SAR government.

Besides the hike in the minimum allowable wage to \$5,000 and food allowance of \$1,600, they would also bid for the protection of worker's rights; and standards for working hours, and health and safety.

Specifically, Villanueva said the Hong Kong government should ensure suita-



Pludw-HK members march on May 1



AMCB members during May 1 rally

ble accommodation for foreign domestic workers in the city.

"Ang tinutulak natin sa Labour Department magkaroon ng labor inspection o kung paano sisiguruhin na ang standards sa loob ng tahanan ay naipapatupad, at the moment kasi ang nangyayari nasa papel lang siya," Villanueva said on Apr. 30 during a picket in front of the United Centre building, where the Philippine Consulate General office is located.

He said Hong Kong should adopt various best practices of other places that import foreign domestic workers, citing Singapore's policy of inspecting the place of a potential employer to ensure appropriate accommodation for the domestic worker.

"Sa ibang bansa, bago mag-hire ng foreign domestic workers mayroon munang inspection ng bayah para tiyakin na toto

ang nakasaad doon sa kontrata at may lugar para sa domestic worker," he said.

Villanueva also said Hong Kong should not say it lacks resources to conduct house inspections as it has allowed the import of foreign domestic workers and must ensure their well-being and rights are protected.

Villanueva noted that in 2016, at least 117 foreign domestic workers died in the city and the top reason for deaths are diseases such as cardiac arrest, and cancer.

"Ang mga sakit na ito dahil sa mababang panahon na pagod sa trabaho, walang pahingang maayos at hindi maayos na kalusugan," he added.

Meanwhile, Shiella Grace Estrada, chairperson of the Progressive Labor Union of Domestic Workers in Hong Kong, said they are also pressing for the inclusion of live-in domestic workers to the standardized working hours, the legislation of the Code of Practice for Employment Agencies, and universal pension for all workers.

She said they are urging the Duterte administration to fulfill its promise to create jobs in the Philippines instead of pushing Filipino to seek overseas employment.

"Dito na lang sa Hong Kong na may labor protection, ang daming naaabuso, how much more sa mga country na walang protection sa batas nila," Estrada said.

## Filipina says willing to help in drugs case

By Ally Constantino

A Filipina who pleaded guilty to a charge of trafficking in dangerous drugs took the witness stand in a hearing on May 10 at the High Court.

Susan B. Cumpio told the court that she tried to tell a Customs officer that a person was waiting for her outside the Hong Kong International Airport when she was arrested on July 15, 2016.

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The Filipina, who married a Brazilian, and has a son in the Philippines, appeared in court to mitigate the sentence to be meted out to her.

Cumpio was intercepted and arrested by Customs officers at the airport when she arrived from Sao Paulo, Brazil, via Dubai.

The Customs officer searched her luggage but did not find anything, and then led Cumpio to a room for body search.

During the body search they found about two kilos of suspected cocaine wrapped around Cumpio's thighs and which were hidden in her underwear.

Cumpio's lawyer also questioned the Customs officer who intercepted the defendant about their former's English language skills.

The Filipina told the Court the arresting officer did not pay attention to her when she told them about the person waiting for her to meet her at the airport nor of the telephone numbers written in a piece of paper that was found among her belongings.

Justice Kevin Zervos adjourned the case for sentencing on May 23.



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# Pinay acquitted in online BF scam case

By Cheryl M. Arcibal

SHE shed tears and thanked those who helped her prove her innocence of three counts of "conspiracy to deal with property known or believed to represent proceeds of indictable offense" after receiving money to her bank account from her

online boyfriend.

After the verdict was issued by Kowloon City Courts Magistrate Veronica Heung Shuk-han on May 5, R. Tam, a Filipino working in a hotel, wiped tears from her eyes and smiled to and hugged the other Filipinos present in court.

"I am of clear mind now," she was heard

saying in Filipino after the magistrate issued the verdict.

Judge Heung said the prosecution failed to prove beyond reasonable doubt that Tam was guilty of the offenses. The magistrate noted the evidence given by Tam in court was consistent with what she said during the video recording interviews she

had with the police.

Judge Heung said she "could not say for sure" that Tam had suspected or believed the funds deposited into her account by Steve Michael, her chatmate who became her internet boyfriend, were proceeds of indictable offense.

Tam's duty lawyer was also heard telling the Filipina that the "online boyfriend scam" was common and that "this happens every day". The Filipina assured the lawyer that it was the first time she tried an online romance but would remain clear-headed now.

The court heard on Mar. 21-23 how Tam, who works in a hotel here in Hong Kong, received money from Michael, who identified himself as a man working in a construction company in London, through her Public Bank account, and deposited it to a HSBC account.

Tam and a Chinese woman, S. S-y. Hui, were charged with three counts of "conspiracy to deal with property known or believed to represent proceeds of indictable offense." Tam, who married a Hong Kong resident who passed away a few years ago, met Michael online in January 2014,

and started an "internet relationship" with him a month later. In March 2014, her boyfriend sent her \$350,000. She then transferred \$347,000 to an HSBC account.

"I believed him. I loved him and he loved me. We were in a relationship, and I trusted him and he trusted me," Tam said when asked by the prosecutor why she agreed to do what the man she only met some two months before asked her to do.

Tam told the court her account received the money on March 26, 2014, and \$3,000 was given to her by Michael after she said she needed financial assistance as life was

difficult.

The prosecution charged Tam conspired with Michael to launder proceeds of illegal or criminal activities. Tam, however, said Michael told her the money came from "project-related" activities.

The Filipina, who has a grown son and daughter-in-law in the Philippines and a granddaughter, said she and Michael only communicated through online chatting.

Michael, she said, told her he could not deposit the money to his own account, but as his "wife" she should help him and handle all these transactions.

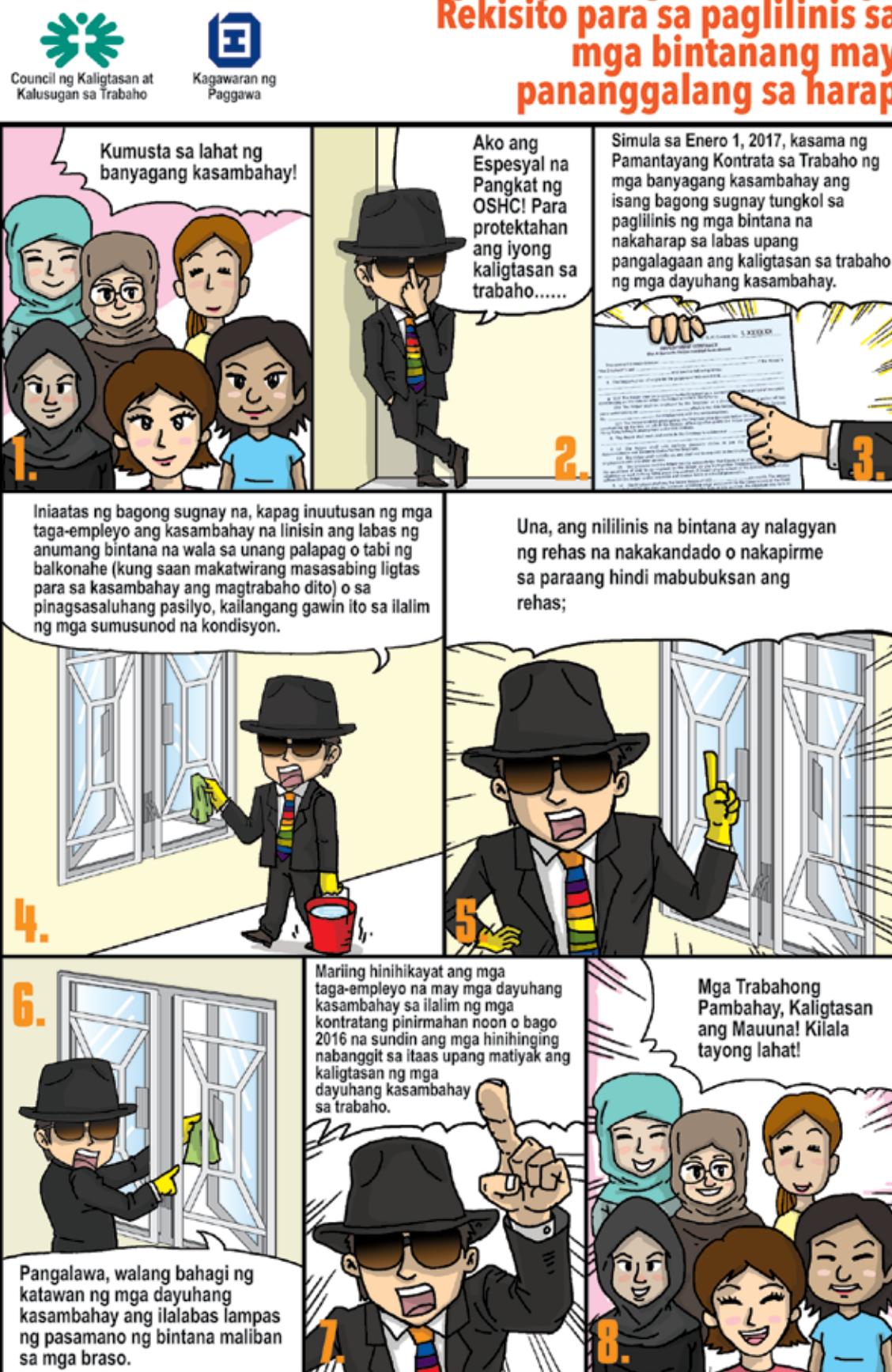
As a housekeeping staff in a hotel, Tam said she would tell Michael that she would be tired, and he would re-assure her that they would be putting up a business in the Philippines and Hong Kong. He also promised her that he would be coming to Hong Kong in June 2014 so they could discuss their future together.

Tam said Michael introduced himself as a Caucasian man. However, on March 29, 2014, Tam found she could not check her ATM account, and messaged him that she "felt worried and she was scared".

When she confided to her daughter-in-law in the Philippines about her ATM card, the latter told her that she might have been "scammed" by Michael. On March 31, 2014, Tam was arrested by police.

The other defendant, Hui, however, was declared guilty of the offenses. Judge Heung noted inconsistencies between the Chinese woman's evidence in court and her statement to the police given during video recorded interviews.

The judge said Hui had met "Ben" in person in Malaysia, remitted money to him, and had allowed him to use her bank account for various transactions.



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Advice to would-be business owners:

# 'No need to go home soon, start slow'

By Cheryl M. Arcibal

FILIPINOS working overseas wishing to put up their own business in the Philippines need not immediately go home to do so, an official of Iloilo province said.

Velma Jane Lao, local economic & investment promotion officer, told Hong Kong News would-be entrepreneurs only need to find a person they trust to help them manage the business while they are working in Hong Kong.

"It might be very abrupt to recommend to them to leave their source of income, their source of capitalization. Maybe they can start with somebody they trust who

can start their business, somebody they can really trust," said Lao.

However, those who have saved enough capital for their business venture could opt to go home and put up their shop or store.

"Kasi it will be very difficult, unless they already have the capitalization or savings na stable na pwede na talagang magstart ng business," Lao said.

She said a "slow transition" is more advisable for OFWs considering to go into full-time business.

"What they can do when they start out is to try it out for one year, and when they get comfortable, and then that's the time na umuwi na, kasi in case na mag-flop ang



Lao during the forum at the Philippine Consulate General

business [they have a fallback]," Lao said.

In Iloilo, she added, business opportunities abound in the agricultural and tourism sectors.

"But it has to be in their interests, and depende sa location and sa target market.

In turn, we can help them prepare their business plan, and connect them with MFIs (microfinance institutions)," she said.

The Business Development Community of the Philippine Association of Hong Kong (PAHK) is set to hold a roadshow

to promote Iloilo as an investment site for business leaders from Hong Kong and mainland China.

Rex Aguado, PAHK president, said the group will be holding a tour in Iloilo for potential investors from Hong Kong, Hainan, Shenzhen, Guangzhou, Chengdu, and Fujian on May 18-21.

He said Iloilo would be the first destination because the city and its officials are ready to meet with potential investors. The group and Iloilo officials, led by Mayor Jed Mabilog and Board Member Renee Valencia, first met with potential investors from Hong Kong at the Foreign Correspondents' Club on Apr. 21.

## CUHK professor laments Torre de Manila ruling

By Cheryl M. Arcibal

A missed opportunity.

This was how a history professor from the Chinese University of Hong Kong described the decision of the Philippine Supreme Court to allow property company DMCI to proceed with the construction of the 49-storey Torre de Manila, a building that mars the line of sight of the Rizal Monument.

Morley said the SC decision missed the "opportunity to instil the value of sight lines to national monuments" and "guaranteeing the dignity of vista as intended by the designer."

"To this end the SC could have made the Torre de Manila case a planning paradigm not just for the country but southeast Asian region at large," he said in an email interview.

Morley wrote a report for the Order of the Knights of Rizal, the group which sought to stop the construction of the tower, that was submitted to the SC to support the group's petition.

Although the residential tower was built outside the heritage site of the Rizal Park,



Morley (left) during a CUHK exhibit featuring the story behind the Philippine flag (file photo)

Morley called the structure "intrusive".

"I feel more reading of the city plan should have been made by heritage agencies at the SC," he said, citing the 1905 city plan by American Daniel Burnham.

Morley added that Burnham planned the location of the Rizal Monument to form

an axis along with the supposed Capitol Building was to be, and a Washington DC type mall at its front.

In the American colonial era, Morley noted, as boats entered into Manila Bay, they would directly approach what was to be the "water gate" in front of Rizal Park

and by looking east to the land, the boats would see the Rizal Monument, the large green space surrounding it, and to its rear the dome of the Rizal Monument.

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### District Court date set for Pinoy tourists

THREE Filipino tourists who were charged with trying to pick the bag of a Chinese woman in Causeway Bay would be appearing on May 18 in the District Court for trial.

Prosecutors asked Eastern Courts Principal Magistrate Bina Chainrai to adjourn the case to allow them to prepare the transfer paper of the theft case against A.P.Dela Cruz, C. Talao, and S.M.M. Niduaza.

The prosecutor also said they would be filing additional charge against Dela Cruz, who was found to have at least 11 other names or aliases, for breaching his previous deportation order.

The prosecutor told reporters the three defendants arrived in Hong Kong on Jan. 18, and on Jan. 19 they were arrested by police.

At 6:20 p.m. on Jan. 19, a police officer allegedly caught the three on the escalator of the Causeway Bay MTR station trying to pick the rucksack of a Chinese woman.

The first defendant allegedly opened the bag's zipper, while the other two defendants, who were standing nearby, acted as his covers. The three were remanded in custody as they did not apply for bail. **Ally Constantino**

# Bail of employer in rape case revoked

By Ally Constantino

A High Court judge has revoked the bail of a defendant who was charged with raping a Filipina who was his former domestic helper.

Justice Esther Toh Lye-ping ordered the Correctional Services Department to take custody of defendant K.A. Apelete after the latter failed to appear in the first two days of the rape trial on May 8-9.

On May 8, Justice Toh said it would serve no one's interests if the trial of the case drags out as the former helper even flew in from the Philippines to give her

evidence in court.

The Filipina was seen outside Court 11, talking to Assistance to Nationals officer Hermogenes Cayabyab Jr. of the Philippine Consulate General.

The defendant's lawyer, citing a report from a private doctor, on May 8 told the court Apelete has had a "hypertensive crisis" and "kidney" problem.

Justice Toh then asked the defense to bring the doctor in court to inquire about the defendant's health condition.

On May 9, however, no doctor appeared and the defense told the court, Apelete was undergoing an MRI scan, as the doc-



High Court

tor suspected the defendant had a spinal problem.

The defense added that the doctor said the defendant's "heart and kidneys" were fine, and if the MRI scans showed there was nothing wrong with the latter's spine,

then he could be released in the morning of May 10.

Justice Toh, however, said the arrangement was "unsatisfactory" as the court had yet to get the full medical report on the defendant's health as she previously required.

"He's on bail, and the court needs to be satisfied that he is not deliberately absenting himself from the court proceedings...I am not happy with the (doctor's note) here, there are no findings and there is just provisional diagnosis," Justice Toh said.

The judge ordered Apelete's transfer to a government hospital and for him to un-

dergo full medical tests.

The prosecutor then suggested the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Kowloon, where there is a CSD ward. Justice Toh adjourned the trial to May 11.

A source from the PCG previously told Hong Kong News the Filipina, 31, had gone home to Capiz in the Philippines.

The rape incident, said the PCG official, happened in September 2015, while the defendant's wife and daughter allegedly were not at home.

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**Flordeliza Quesada, 52**  
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**Jonavel Lapatero, 36**  
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and private tutors.

"There's no formal agreement yet between the Philippines and China to give work visas for these categories," Bertiz said.

Data from Commission on Filipino Overseas only put the number of Filipinos in China at 29,691.

Eman Villanueva, secretary-general of United Filipinos-Migrante-Hong Kong, said that instead of pursuing new overseas labor markets for Filipinos, the Duterte administration should fulfill its promise of national industrialization and genuine land reform to encourage Filipinos to stay in the Philippines.

As for the bid to allow Filipinos to work in China, Villanueva said this contradicts Duterte's promise to create more economic opportunities in the Philippines for Filipinos.

"Ang tingin namin palayo iyan ng palayo sa aming hangand nas ana pokusan

ng gobyerno ang pag-develop ng maraming trabaho sa Pilipinas.

"At hindi lang basta trabaho, kundi stable jobs, well-paying jobs, nakakabuhay at disente para hindi magkawatak-watak ang mga pamilya," Villanueva said in an interview with Hong Kong News.

In a previous interview, Dela Torre confirmed said he submitted recommendations to Bello about the possibility of allowing Filipinos to seek employment in China.

Should there be an agreement, Dela Torre said this would mean high-skilled and low-skilled Filipino workers could soon go to China and be employed there.

Those who may find work are engineers, tutors, nurses, and household service workers. Presently, there are Filipino engineers in China.

Duterte to Cambodia, HK SAR

Before his trip to the mainland, Duterte will also be in Cambodia and the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region from

May 10-13.

Foreign Affairs spokesman Robespierre Bolivar said Duterte will attend a meeting of the World Economic Forum in Cambodia, address the Filipino community in Hong Kong, and participate in the Belt and Road Forum for International Cooperation in China.

"As chair of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, the President is expected to share his views on the region's achievements and challenges, and to deliver a message to the youth of ASEAN," he said.

"The organizers designated the President as an honored guest of the WEF alongside the Prime Minister of Vietnam who is currently the chair of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation," he added.

The WEF on ASEAN, which Cambodia is hosting for the first time with the theme "Youth, Technology, and Growth: Securing ASEAN's Digital and Demographic Dividends," is expected to draw "more than 700 leaders from business, govern-



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ment, civil society, and the media," Bolivar said.

From Cambodia, Duterte will fly to Hong Kong, where he will meet with members of the Filipino community during his stay from May 11-13.

"As of March 2017, there were around 210,000 Filipinos in Hong Kong. Many of whom work in the hotel and restaurant industry or in the households of Hong Kong residents," Bolivar said.

"The Filipino community in Hong Kong has been actively partnering with our Consulate General in ensuring the rights and

welfare of our kababayans in Hong Kong are protected and promoted and the community has also been instrumental in promoting enhanced trade relations between the Philippines and Hong Kong and in promoting our country's investment opportunities and tourist destinations," he added.

On May 13, the President will head to Beijing to attend the Belt and Road Forum where he will "join 27 other heads of state and government, as well as heads of three international organizations."

"The topics they are expected to discuss include: infrastructure connectivity; economic and trade cooperation; industrial investment; energy and resources; financial support; people-to-people exchanges; ecological and environmental protection; and marine cooperation," Bolivar said.

Duterte last made a state visit to China in October which was bannered as a sign of the "full recovery" of ties between Manila and Beijing.

## Firms submit proposals for POLO transfer to Lippo Centre

By Cheryl M. Arcibal

THE Philippine Overseas Labor Office has commissioned three companies to submit proposals for the renovation of the office that it is eyeing in Lippo Centre.

Labor Attaché Jalilo dela Torre said the proposals would be forwarded to Manila for approval.

Proposals to the POLO showed one proponent, MPG, submitting a renovation cost quotation of \$1.58 million, while the other proponent, Sensation, submitted a renovation cost quotation of \$2.006 million.

Both the renovation cost quotations included electrical works, wall finish, and partition, among others.

The third proponent has yet to submit a quotation, but a POLO source said

should it fail to submit any quotation, POLO would proceed with forwarding the two proposals to the Department of Labor and Employment office in Manila.

"The rental is cheaper in Lippo Centre by \$10 per square foot compared to what we are paying here in Admiralty Centre, so the government stands to benefit," Dela Torre said in an interview.

He previously told Hong Kong News the relocation to the new office will save the post money and do away with strict building security measures that restrict the entry of Filipino worker to the POLO premises. The proposal was submitted to DOLE on Apr. 20.

Dela Torre said the new office they are eyeing in Lippo Centre is smaller in area compared to the areas of the two floors (11th and 16th) the POLO is presently occupying at the Admiralty Centre.

"If our proposal would be approved, we'd be getting the whole floor there, and we have four lifts. Hindi na pipila



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However, the public area of the new office would allow Filipino workers to wait inside the office, instead of being asked to queue at the bridge near the Admiralty Centre.

"It's (strict security) the main reason we are leaving," said Dela Torre.

Besides the bigger area to accommodate more POLO clients, Dela Torre added the rent for their present offices would be raised once their contract expires in the last quarter of the year.

Maintenance costs of the present POLO premises would also be reduced as they are presently occupying two floors. In Lippo Centre, the two POLO floors would be combined to one floor.

Dela Torre said they initially wanted to move back to the United Centre, but

ang mga tao kung saan-saan," he said.

On Sundays, when many Filipinos come to the POLO to process various requirements, the Admiralty Centre building security would be strict and limit the number of Filipinos who would be allowed in the POLO premises.

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there was no contiguous space available for them.

He said the transfer should not inconvenience POLO clients who also have transactions at the Philippine Consulate in United Centre as the Lippo Centre is also nearby.

In May 2016, Dela Torre said they planned to return to the United Centre building in Admiralty and would save taxpayers \$200,000 a month.

Dela Torre said the POLO wanted to transfer back to the United Centre, where the Philippine Consulate General is located, from its current offices at Admiralty Centre so that it could save money.

"We spend \$400,000 a month here but between this and United Centre, it's cheaper in United Centre. We can save about half (of the current rent)," Dela Torre said in an interview.

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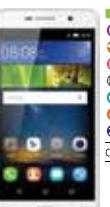
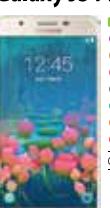
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<b>Price</b> \$5,298 <b>Down</b> \$699 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$1,208	<b>Price</b> \$990 <b>Down</b> \$199 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$215	<b>Price</b> \$790 <b>Down</b> \$129 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$170	<b>Price</b> \$1,180 <b>Down</b> \$99 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$279	<b>Price</b> \$3,798 <b>Down</b> \$199 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$917	<b>Price</b> \$2,180 <b>Down</b> \$199 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$512
<b>Samsung Galaxy J5 Prime</b>	<b>Samsung Galaxy C7 Pro</b> <b>NEW</b>	<b>Huawei P10 Lite</b> <b>NEW</b>	<b>Apple iPhone 7 - 256 GB</b>	<b>Apple iPhone 7 - 128 GB</b>	<b>Samsung Note 4</b> <b>NEW</b>
					
<b>Price</b> \$1,790 <b>Down</b> \$199 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$415	<b>Price</b> \$3,198 <b>Down</b> \$199 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$767	<b>Price</b> \$2,380 <b>Down</b> \$199 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$562	<b>Price</b> \$6,998 <b>Down</b> \$1,399 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$1,514	<b>Price</b> \$6,188 <b>Down</b> \$1,299 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$1,331	<b>Price</b> \$2,490 <b>Down</b> \$199 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$631
<b>Samsung Galaxy J7 Prime</b>	<b>HTC Desire 10 Pro</b>	<b>Sony Xperia XA</b>	<b>LG Stylus 3</b> <b>NEW</b>	<b>Huawei Nova Plus</b>	<b>Huawei Nova</b> <b>NEW</b>
					
<b>Price</b> \$2,190 <b>Down</b> \$99 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$531	<b>Price</b> \$2,998 <b>Down</b> \$0 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$750	<b>Price</b> \$1,790 <b>Down</b> \$99 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$431	<b>Price</b> \$1,998 <b>Down</b> \$199 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$467	<b>Price</b> \$3,080 <b>Down</b> \$0 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$770	<b>Price</b> \$1,890 <b>Down</b> \$531 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$531
<b>Apple iPhone 7 Plus 128 GB</b>	<b>Apple iPhone 7 Plus 256 GB</b>	<b>Kata i5</b>	<b>Asus Zenfone 3 Max ZC520TL</b>	<b>Sony Xperia X</b>	<b>LG V20</b>
					
<b>Price</b> \$7,968 <b>Down</b> \$1,999 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$1,659	<b>Price</b> \$8,188 <b>Down</b> \$1,999 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$1,714	<b>Price</b> \$1,490 <b>Down</b> \$99 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$232	<b>Price</b> \$1,599 <b>Down</b> \$159 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$374	<b>Price</b> \$3,298 <b>Down</b> \$0 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$825	<b>Price</b> \$4,998 <b>Down</b> \$599 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$1,150
<b>LG K10 (2017)</b>	<b>Samsung Galaxy S7 Edge</b>	<b>Kata M3s</b> <b>NEW</b>	<b>Kata S100</b>	<b>HTC 10</b>	<b>HTC U Play</b> <b>NEW</b>
					
<b>Price</b> \$1,498 <b>Down</b> \$199 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$342	<b>Price</b> \$4,690 <b>Down</b> \$699 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$1,056	<b>Price</b> \$1,490 <b>Down</b> \$99 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$344	<b>Price</b> \$99 <b>Down</b> \$39 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$19	<b>Price</b> \$3,998 <b>Down</b> \$0 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$1,000	<b>Price</b> \$3,498 <b>Down</b> \$399 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$808
<b>HTC U Ultra</b> <b>NEW</b>	<b>Asus Zenfone Live ZB501KL</b>	<b>Samsung Galaxy C5 Pro</b> <b>NEW</b>	<b>Sony Xperia X Compact</b>	<b>Sony Xperia XA1</b> <b>NEW</b>	<b>Sony Xperia XZ</b>
					
<b>Price</b> \$5,698 <b>Down</b> \$899 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$1,275	<b>Price</b> \$1,299 <b>Down</b> \$199 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$292	<b>Price</b> \$2,998 <b>Down</b> \$199 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$717	<b>Price</b> \$2,998 <b>Down</b> \$499 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$667	<b>Price</b> \$2,498 <b>Down</b> \$199 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$592	<b>Price</b> \$4,998 <b>Down</b> \$599 <b>6 Monthly</b> \$1,025

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8 Inch  
8 MP Rear + 2.1 MP Front  
32GB Storage  
1.8 GHz Octa Core  
2GB RAM  
Android 6.0 Marshmallow  
4G  
Color: Black, White  
Price: \$3,588  
Down: \$0  
6 Monthly: \$897

**Acer ES1-432**

Price: \$3,699  
Down: \$599  
6 Monthly: \$825

**Canon Power Shot G7X Mark II**

NEW

Price: \$4,580  
Down: \$399  
6 Monthly: \$1,079

**Casio G-Shock 9052**

Low Downpayment

Price: \$490  
Down: \$90  
6 Monthly: \$106

**Casio G-Shock 110**

Low Downpayment

Price: \$840  
Down: \$99  
6 Monthly: \$208

**Casio G-Shock 100**

Low Downpayment

Price: \$730  
Down: \$99  
6 Monthly: \$179

**Huawei T2 7 LTE**

7 Inch  
2MP Rear + 2MP Front  
16GB Storage  
1.5GHz Quad Core  
1GB RAM  
Android 6.0 Marshmallow  
4G  
Color: Black, White  
Price: \$1,080  
Down: \$199  
6 Monthly: \$237

**Acer ES1-131**

Price: \$3,190  
Down: \$699  
6 Monthly: \$681

**Go Pro Hero 5 Black Action Cam**

Price: \$3,200  
Down: \$399  
6 Monthly: \$734

**Casio G-Shock 100H**

Low Downpayment

Price: \$490  
Down: \$90  
6 Monthly: \$106

**Casio G-Shock 7900**

Low Downpayment

Price: \$840  
Down: \$99  
6 Monthly: \$208

**Casio Tough Solar Analog Digital 810**

Low Downpayment

Price: \$580  
Down: \$99  
6 Monthly: \$129

**Alcatel POP4 7"**

NEW

7 Inch  
2MP Rear + VGA Front  
4GB Storage  
1.3GHz Quad Core  
1GB RAM  
42.4g Beam  
Color: Black, White  
Price: \$1,199  
Down: \$199  
6 Monthly: \$267

**Lenovo Ideapad 100-I3**

NEW

Price: \$3,998  
Down: \$499  
6 Monthly: \$917

**Canon Power Shot G9X**

NEW

Price: \$3,380  
Down: \$299  
6 Monthly: \$796

**Casio Tough Solar Analog Digital 110**

Low Downpayment

Price: \$590  
Down: \$99  
6 Monthly: \$131

**Seiko SUP302P1**

Price: \$710  
Down: \$199  
6 Monthly: \$157

**Seiko SNZG09K1**

Price: \$880  
Down: \$199  
6 Monthly: \$202

**Samsung Galaxy T285 Tab A7 LTE**

7 Inch  
5 MP Rear + 2 MP Front  
8GB Storage  
1.3 GHz Quad Core  
2GB RAM  
Android 5.1 Lollipop  
4G  
Color: Black, White  
Price: \$1,199  
Down: \$199  
6 Monthly: \$267

**Story Sunglasses**

Price: \$49  
Down: \$9  
6 Monthly: \$12

**Canon Power Shot SX720 HS**

Price: \$2,980  
Down: \$199  
6 Monthly: \$712

**Casio Baby G 110PP**

NEW

Low Downpayment

Price: \$799  
Down: \$99  
6 Monthly: \$197

**Casio Baby G 110TX**

NEW

Low Downpayment

Price: \$899  
Down: \$99  
6 Monthly: \$224

**Casio Baby G 120LP**

NEW

Low Downpayment

Price: \$659  
Down: \$99  
6 Monthly: \$160

**Kata Tmini 3 (2+16GB)**

Low Downpayment

6.95 Inch  
8MP Rear + 5MP Front  
16GB Storage  
1.3GHz Quad Core  
2GB RAM  
Android 5.1 Lollipop  
3G  
Dual SIM  
Color: Gold, White  
Price: \$999  
Down: \$99  
6 Monthly: \$184

**Tosing Q7 Karaoke Microphone**

Price: \$290  
Down: \$59  
6 Monthly: \$68

**Romoss Sense 4 10400mAh Power Bank**

Price: \$128  
Down: \$29  
6 Monthly: \$30

**Naviforce 9024**

NEW

Low Downpayment

Price: \$259  
Down: \$99  
6 Monthly: \$63

**Naviforce 9049**

NEW

Low Downpayment

Price: \$259  
Down: \$99  
6 Monthly: \$63

**Naviforce 9074**

NEW

Low Downpayment

Price: \$259  
Down: \$99  
6 Monthly: \$63

**Lenovo Tab3 7 Essential LTE**

NEW

7 Inch  
5 MP Rear + 2 MP Front  
16GB Storage  
1.3 GHz Quad Core  
2GB RAM  
Android 5.1 Lollipop  
4G  
Color: Black, White  
Price: \$1,499  
Down: \$199  
6 Monthly: \$342

**JBL T280a In-ear Headphones**

Price: \$239  
Down: \$19  
6 Monthly: \$61

**JBL Reflect Mini**

Price: \$799  
Down: \$99  
6 Monthly: \$197

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5.5 Inch  
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32GB Storage  
1.4GHz Octa Core  
2GB RAM  
Android 5.1 Lollipop  
Color: Black, White, Gold, Rose Gold

**Kata M4**

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5.5 Inch  
18MP Rear + 13MP Front  
32GB Storage  
1.3GHz Octa Core  
3GB RAM  
Android 6.0 Marshmallow  
4G  
Dual SIM  
Fingerprint  
Color: Gold, Blue  
Price: \$2,390  
Down: \$199  
6 Monthly: \$366

**Plantronics Backbeat Fit**

Price: \$819  
Down: \$199  
6 Monthly: \$186

**Jaybird Bluebuds X**

Price: \$899  
Down: \$199  
6 Monthly: \$204

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**Philips  
Shine Protect Hair Dryer  
903**

Price  
**\$358**  
Down  
**\$59**  
6 Monthly  
**\$86**



**Rasonic  
Mini Rice Cooker -  
Y5H**

Price  
**\$219**  
Down  
**\$29**  
6 Monthly  
**\$52**



**Panasonic  
Wrist Blood Pressure  
Meter 10**

Price  
**\$510**  
Down  
**\$159**  
6 Monthly  
**\$101**



**Samsung  
28" 4005**

Price  
**\$2,690**  
Down  
**\$299**  
6 Monthly  
**\$623**

**Panasonic  
Hair Dryer 51**



Price  
**\$210**  
Down  
**\$79**  
6 Monthly  
**\$40**

**Philips  
Hair Dryer 8112**



Price  
**\$129**  
Down  
**\$39**  
6 Monthly  
**\$52**

**Panasonic  
Electric Rice Cooker 185**



Price  
**\$848**  
Down  
**\$99**  
6 Monthly  
**\$203**

**Panasonic  
Rice Cooker 105**



Price  
**\$359**  
Down  
**\$79**  
6 Monthly  
**\$80**

**Samsung  
32" 4003**



Price  
**\$2,590**  
Down  
**\$399**  
6 Monthly  
**\$581**

**Samsung  
32" 5005**



Price  
**\$3,290**  
Down  
**\$499**  
6 Monthly  
**\$740**

**Philips  
Essentialcare Hair Dryer 603**



Price  
**\$218**  
Down  
**\$39**  
6 Monthly  
**\$52**

**Panasonic  
Eyelash Curler 2300**



Price  
**\$110**  
Down  
**\$39**  
6 Monthly  
**\$21**

**Panasonic  
Rice Cooker 185**



Price  
**\$399**  
Down  
**\$79**  
6 Monthly  
**\$90**

**Philips  
Rice Cooker 3011**



Price  
**\$289**  
Down  
**\$59**  
6 Monthly  
**\$65**

**Samsung  
22" 5001**



Price  
**\$1,790**  
Down  
**\$199**  
6 Monthly  
**\$415**

**Samsung  
24" 58**



Price  
**\$2,390**  
Down  
**\$299**  
6 Monthly  
**\$548**

**Panasonic  
Hair Curler A11**



Price  
**\$348**  
Down  
**\$59**  
6 Monthly  
**\$83**

**Philips  
Easy Natural Curler 10**



Price  
**\$348**  
Down  
**\$59**  
6 Monthly  
**\$83**

**Philips  
Rice Cooker 3017**



Price  
**\$369**  
Down  
**\$79**  
6 Monthly  
**\$83**

**Panasonic  
Blender 1011**



Price  
**\$288**  
Down  
**\$59**  
6 Monthly  
**\$65**

**LG  
27" 58**



Price  
**\$2,590**  
Down  
**\$299**  
6 Monthly  
**\$598**

**LG  
32" 570**



Price  
**\$2,390**  
Down  
**\$299**  
6 Monthly  
**\$548**

**Philips  
Essentialcare Ionic  
Straightener 403**



Price  
**\$278**  
Down  
**\$39**  
6 Monthly  
**\$68**

**Panasonic  
Ionity Hair Brush 10**



Price  
**\$280**  
Down  
**\$99**  
6 Monthly  
**\$54**

**Kenwood  
Blender Xtract Sport 060**



Price  
**\$419**  
Down  
**\$59**  
6 Monthly  
**\$102**

**Kenwood  
Blender 470**



Price  
**\$499**  
Down  
**\$59**  
6 Monthly  
**\$124**

**Mitsubishi  
Fan 12**



Price  
**\$328**  
Down  
**\$59**  
6 Monthly  
**\$75**

**Toshiba  
Radio Txpr-20**



Price  
**\$119**  
Down  
**\$19**  
6 Monthly  
**\$29**

**Philips  
Electric Shaver 560**



Price  
**\$498**  
Down  
**\$59**  
6 Monthly  
**\$123**

**Philips  
Aquatouch Wet & Dry Electric  
Shaver 750**



Price  
**\$648**  
Down  
**\$59**  
6 Monthly  
**\$163**

**Kenwood  
Blender 011**



Price  
**\$499**  
Down  
**\$599**  
6 Monthly  
**\$123**

**Kenwood  
Sandwich Maker 650**



Price  
**\$498**  
Down  
**\$59**  
6 Monthly  
**\$123**

**Panasonic  
Microwave 332**



Price  
**\$769**  
Down  
**\$99**  
6 Monthly  
**\$183**

**Panasonic  
Water Purifier 225**



Price  
**\$328**  
Down  
**\$59**  
6 Monthly  
**\$75**

**Panasonic  
Men Shaver 34**



Price  
**\$56**  
Down  
**\$19**  
6 Monthly  
**\$12**

**Philips  
Hairclipper 3410**



Price  
**\$338**  
Down  
**\$59**  
6 Monthly  
**\$81**

**Kenwood  
Toaster 020**



Price  
**\$628**  
Down  
**\$59**  
6 Monthly  
**\$158**

**Kenwood  
Weighing Scales 401**



Price  
**\$319**  
Down  
**\$59**  
6 Monthly  
**\$76**

**Sony  
Radio 26**



Price  
**\$138**  
Down  
**\$29**  
6 Monthly  
**\$32**

**Sony  
Radio 306**



Price  
**\$259**  
Down  
**\$59**  
6 Monthly  
**\$60**



## Emergency Hotlines Numbers To Remember

### EMERGENCY

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Police, Fire Services, Hospitals	999
Police Report Hotline	2527 7177

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Labor	6080 8323
OWWA	6345 9324
SSS	2823 8552
Pag-Ibig	2823 8561
Consulate Trunkline	2823 8500
Office Fax:	2866 9885
Email:	hongkongpc@philcongen-hk.com
Website:	http://philcongen-hk.com/
Facebook:	Philippine Consulate General in Hong Kong

### Hong Kong GOVERNMENT

Independent Commission Against

Corruption	2526 6366
Central Government	2835 2500
Complaint Against Police	2866 7700
	2200 4460 to 62
Consumer Rights Hotline	2929 2222
Department of Health	2961 8989
Equal Opportunities Commission	2511 8211
Immigration	2824 6111
Labour Department	2717 1771
Legal Aid	2537 7677
Race Relations Unit	2810 3203
Social Welfare	2343 2255
Transport	2804 2600
Postal Hotline	2921 2222

### NON-GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS

Asia-Pacific Mission for Migrants	2723 7536
Asian Migrant Center	2312 0031
Christian Action - Shine Center	3188 4555
Diocesan Pastoral Center for Filipinos (and other Asian Migrants and Ethnic Minorities)	2526 4249
Alliance of Progressive Labor	2770 0411
Bayanihan Trust Centre	2817 8928
Filipino Migrant Workers Union	
9104-1411; 9758-5935	
Hong Kong Christian Service - CHEER Center	3755 6811
International Social Services	2836 3598
Mission for Migrant Workers	2522 8264
The Bethune House	2721 3119
Enrich Hong Kong	2386 5811
Helpers for Domestic Helpers	2523 4020
United Filipinos in Hong Kong	3156 2447

### AIRPORT AND AIRLINES

Airport Inquiry	2181 8888
Cathay Pacific Airways	2747 5000
Cebu Pacific Air	2722 0609
Philippine Airlines	2301 9300

# Peace of mind as Gen-Ex Cargo delivers your boxes to PH

By Bernice Puzon

2017 is here, and while the new year comes with new opportunities, it is also important to show those that we love the most how much we care about them.

The balikbayan box represents that love for many people who work overseas, and delivering that love and joy across countries is the sole mission of Gen-Ex Cargo.

For the past two decades, Gen-Ex Cargo has established itself as a reputable and reliable door to door freight business, delivering boxes from Hong Kong, Macau and Mainland China to the Philippines.

Whether by land, air, or sea, Gen-Ex is committed to delivering balikbayan boxes and providing an essential connection to

loved ones who are abroad. Gen-Ex was founded on the premise of community and continues to serve its customers with passion and care today.

Gen-Ex is available to assist customers during the delivery process, as we have a useful cargo tracking tool that provides updated information on the status of a delivery. There are also various box sizes to choose from and the option to customize boxes for deliveries.

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In addition to delivering boxes, we also provide a wide range of services ranging from freight forwarding and comprehensive box insurance for our clients' peace

of mind. Gen Ex will do whatever it takes to ensure that our kabayans' boxes are delivered in an efficient, timely manner so that the person receiving the box will get it with a smile.



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Deputy ConGen Deric Atienza (center, front row) poses with FMFI members on Apr. 27 at the Calvary Church in TST.

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# Husband shoots Filipina wife in California

By Maia Lopez

A Filipina was shot dead in California by her allegedly obsessive husband after she reportedly threatened to leave him for good.

Roselyn Policarpio, a 47-year-old resident of Walnut Creek, sustained multiple gun shot wounds.

The suspect, Gregory Prokopowicz, 38, was arrested after a 19-hour standoff where he hid in his car after shooting his wife.

He reportedly even called the victim's eldest son, Don, to tell him he had killed Policarpio while he was inside the vehicle.

Prokopowicz has since been charged with first-degree murder.

Don told East Bay Times that Prokopowicz was obsessed with Policarpio.

He said Prokopowicz would get mad over the victim's continued interactions with her children even after they were



California

married.

Policarpio, who moved her family to California in 2008 to work for Cypress Semiconductor Corp. and eventually McAfee, met the suspect when she had to stay in Concord to work for the American College of Nursing in 2013.

She eventually left her former husband, Armando, and got married with Prokopowicz, who was then a nursing student.

# 10 Pinoys nabbed for illegal entry in Malaysia

By Maia Lopez

At least 10 Filipinos were caught attempting to enter Malaysia illegally in two separate incidents.

Eastern Sabah Security Command head Wan Abdul Khalid said three Filipinos were caught trying to enter via Semporna outside the prescribed sea route by marine police patrolling Sabah's sea borders with the Philippines.

Two of the three immigrants, aged 34 to 55, did not have valid travel documents.

The third had a valid IMM13 card for Filipino refugees from Malaysia's Immigration Department.

Malaysian police also thwarted an attempt by seven Filipinos to illegally enter Sabah via an unregistered speedboat.

The group was spotted trying to sneak into Sandakan via Kuala Batu 3 waters.

"The seven are aged between 15 and 52. The boatman is from Pulau Taganak in the southern Philippines, while four passengers are from Bongao," district marine police Assistant Superintendent Mazre Che Mahmud said.

Mazre said all passengers were detained for investigation for violations of the Anti-Trafficking in Persons and Anti-Smuggling of Migrants Act and the Immigration Act.



Semporna

# Filipino tourists fall victim to scam in Beijing

By Maia Lopez

A group of Filipino tourists lost more than P1 million to a swindler who sold them precious stones that turned out to be fake in Beijing.

The tourists, all employees of a Manila-based insurance firm, found out that they have been duped only upon their return to the Philippines.

"We were being encouraged by our tour guide to buy stones, saying these were good investment pieces," one of the victims who asked not to be identified said in a television interview.

Another victim said the store owner, who claimed to be a Chinese-Filipino, even gave them freebies to make them feel at ease.

"The owner said he has a soft spot for Filipinos. He gave us tea, and as a token



Beijing

of appreciation that we went to his store, gave us a jade pendant," the victim said.

The Filipino tourists became interested in purchasing the jade gemstones because the owner offered to give them huge discounts.

One set worth P1.3 million was reportedly sold for only P300,000, while one crystal necklace supposedly worth P400,000 was sold for P70,000.

Gemstones worth P100,000 were also given to the group for free due to the value of their transaction.

The victim said they did not doubt the quality of the stones since these came with certificates.

A male victim said he only learned the precious stones were fake when he had them appraised at a legitimate jewelry store.

"We were so happy that we got those stones at a discount. But we were devastated to learn that we were duped. We spent our hard-earned money on those stones," he said.

The Department of Foreign Affairs has already been informed of the case and has vowed to assist the victims.

"We call on all Filipinos traveling overseas to exert some effort to learn the particulars of what they are buying, and to exercise caution to ensure the products are authentic," DFA spokesman Robespierre Bolivar said.



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## Editorial

HONG KONG NEWS

## Hello, Mr. President

PRESIDENT Duterte visits China for the second time from March 11 to 15.

From March 11 to 13, he will be among us here in Hong Kong.

This is a welcome visit because the last sitting President to visit us was Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo.

We hope President Duterte listens to the concerns of his kababayans here in Hong Kong, where he won by a landslide during the elections last year that brought him to Malacanang.

The Duterte administration has already moved to overturn the policy of the previous administration that led to the collection of terminal fees from overseas Filipino workers passing through the Ninoy Aquino International Airport in Manila.

We hope he also listens to our long-standing appeal for the total scrapping of the much-hated overseas employment certificate (OECs).

The government is trying to provide a solution through the BM Online but it has become clear that it is not enough.

We believe that totally junking the OEC is a right step to make.

We would also like to ask President Duterte to take up with Hong Kong authorities our call that foreign domestic workers should have standardized working hours.

This might be a long shot but, given the President's decision to steer the Philippines closer to China, we might have a chance.

President Duterte could even take up the issue with Beijing officials so that we would have a better chance at clinching this goal.

Welcome po, mahal na Pangulo dito sa Hong Kong.

We wish you a safe and successful trip!



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## Negosyo ng OFWs

KAILAN dapat magsimula sa negosyo ang isang OFW? Kung for good na ba siya? MALI!

E kailan ba maganda? NGAYON! Hindi next month o next year o matapos mag for good at tumigil na ng pagiging OFW.

At bakit dapat magsimula agad? Usapin po ito ng sentido kumon o common sense!

Kung wala kang kaalam-alam at karanasan sa negosyo e paano magiging successful ang negosyo mo, lalo na kung unang beses mo lang sumabak sa larangang ito?

Kailangang maghanda ng husto ang kahit na sinong OFW na gustong pumasok sa negosyo. Unang dapat gawin ng OFW ay magkaroon ng karanasan sa negosyo -- habang nasa HK pa. Ano-ano ang pwedeng gawin sa HK para makakuha ng karanasan at kaalaman sa negosyo?

Ang pinakamadali ay pumasok sa isang trading o buy and sell na negosyo. Bumili ng items, gaya ng ng murang damit o fashion accessories o bags at ibenta ito ng may tubo. Dapat lang iwasan ang mga sikat na

brands para iwas sa problema.

Unang unang dapat matutunan ng OFW ay kung paano gamitin ng mahusay ang puuhang pera at makita kung paano kumita ng pera mula sa isang negosyo.

Dapat din siyang matutong maghanap at mag-alaga ng mga regular na customers. Kung walang alam sa pagbebenta at walang alam ding maghanap at mag-alaga ng customers ay walang negosyo! Kahit pa P1 milyon o P2 milyon ang kapital na gamitin.

Impossible ring pumasok sa negosyo ang isang OFW kung siya lang ang may alam dito. Habang nasa abroad ang OFW, dapat magsimula rin sa negosyo sa Pinas ang kanyang Mr o mga anak o magulang.

ALL OFWs ARE INVITED! Sa kuwela, saya, free snacks at give-aways sa "Pinoy Life LIVE" sa RTHK Radio 3 sa May 28, 4-6pm. FREE shuttle bus from Central! Visit our FB page - Pinoy Life on RTHK - for more details

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## Dear Editor

Dear Hong Kong News,  
Pagbati mula sa malugod na taga-subaybay ng inyong paahayagan!

Nais kong ipabatid sa inyo ang aking agam-agam sa isang online remittance channel na biglang naging popular dahil sa bonggang promotion nito sa FB na walang service charges ang pag-remit. Isaa kso sa natuwa at gustong makatipid ng konting halaga kaya sinubukan kong gamitin ito sa tulog ng isang kaibigan na nag-remit para sa akin dahil siya yung may load wallet na tinatawag. Maliit lang na halaga yung sinubukan kong i-remit sa pinsan ko at mabilis naman itong nai-remit. Kaya lang

nung kulanin na ang pera sa Pilipinas ay walang valid na ID yung pinsan ko kaya sinabi ko sa friend ko kung paano ito map-follow up. Hindi rin alam ng friend ko kung paano dahil nga online ito, kaya nakiusap na lang kami sa remittance partner sa Pilipinas nang maige. Mabilis at mayos naman ang remittance through this channel kaya lang narealize ko na pag nagkaproblema, eh mahirap ma-follow up dahil hindi mo alam kung sino ang lalapitan dahil ito ay online. Bukod dito, kailan lang, nangailangan ang kapatid ko ng pera at hindi ako makalabas kaya naisip kong dito maasahan ang online remittance. Nakiusap uli ako sa friend ko at kaagad naman siyang nag-remit. Nai-remit ulit kaagad kaya lang hindi raw agad naiprocess kasi hindi pa available ang system. Inabot ito nan tanghal ng sumod na araw bago naging successful. Ang punto ko lang po ay hingin ang payo nya kung yung ganitong walang mga service charges at bonggang promotion na mga company ay maaasahan at pang-matagalahan? Kung halimbawang malakihang halaga ang pinag-uusapan at magka-problema ay malulutas ng ganitong klaseng remittance? Ikagagalak ko po kung mabibigyan nyo ako ng payo tungkol dito – maraming salamat po sa buong team ng Hong Kong News.

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## Sayang o Kulang?

SI Pangulong Duterte na ang nagsabi - pera ang makapangyarihan sa ilalim ng sinasabing "demokrasya" sa bansa.

Sa kanyang talumpati matapos na i-reject ng Commission of Appointments (CA) si Gina Lopez bilang Environment Secretary, nagpahayag ng panghihinayang ang presidente dahil aniya'y bilibnaman siya sa kanya. Iyon nga lang, hindi daw niya kontrolado ang lahat. Nasa demorasya raw tayo. "And lobby money talks," dagdag pa niya.

Labis-labis din ang buhos ng simpatiya ng maraming Filipino dahil naibusura ang appointment ni Gina Lopez. Sina-bayan pa ng pag-kondena doon sa mga senador at congressman na nabunyag na nanlaglag sa kanya.

Bilang isang environmentalist, lagi niyang sinasabi na ang tunay na biktima kapag nasalanta ang kalikasan ay ang mahihirap. At dahil tungkulin ng gobyerno na proteksyon ang kanyang mama-

mayan, isang malaking pag-abondona ng responsibilidad kapag pumanig ang gobyerno sa interes ng negosyo. Sabi ni Lopez, "You have lost the moral ascendancy to rule the government because, to you, business and money is more important than the welfare of our people."

Sa labing-anim na ibinunyag na buomo laban sa kanya sa CA, pinuntirya niya ang mga katulad ni Rep. Ronald Zamora na kapatid ni Manuel Zamora na kumokontrol sa mga malalaking korporasyon ng mina tulad ng Nickel Asia Corp. Kasama ito sa 22 mina na ipinasara ni Gina Lopez at mga kinanselang kontrata para sa bagong exploration. Ipinagbawal din niya ang open-pit mining na nakakapinsala ng kabunduan at kalikasan.

Dahil rito ay pinagkaisahan siya ng makapangyarihang industriya ng mina na tiyak nagpagana ng pera at presyur na politikal sa mga nasa CA upang ibasura ang kanyang appointment. Ito ang binabang-

git ni Pres. Duterte na "lobby money" na nakapamayani. Kung tuusin nga ay may supermajority ang presidente sa Kongreso at Senado, pero hindi pa rin lumusot ang kanyang appointee. Nanaig ang interes ng negosyo at dayuhan.

Kaya hindi maiwasang magtanong ang iba: hindi kaya nagkulang sa pagsuporta si Duterte kay Gina Lopez? Akala ba natin ay itutulak ang pagbabago kahit pa sagasaan ang interes ng mga oligarkiya o makapangyarihan sa bansa? Mas makapangyarihan ba sila sa matapang na Pangulo? Hindi ba niya ipinaglaban sa CA si Lopez?

Tanging ang Pangulo ang makakasagot niyan. Pero kung pagbabatayan ang nabi niya, nanalo nga ang kapangyarihan at pera ng mina. Sa araw na iyon, talo ang kalikasan at ang mamayahan. At lumalim ang tanong kung patungo pa ba tayo sa landas ng ipinangakong pagbabago o patuloy lang sa dati nang kaayusan.

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# May lungkot ang Mother's Day

By Imelda Mae Bustinera

KAPAPASOK pa lang ng buwan na Mayo ay kabi-abila na ang natatanggap na pagbati ng Happy Mother's Day ni Emma, 38, may asawa at anak, at tubong Albay.

Ngunit sa halip na matuwa ay kalungkutan ang nararamdaman dahil

isang buwan pa lang ang nakakaraan ng pagkamatay ng kanyang ina.

Noong isang taon ay nabati pa niya sa telepono ang kanyang pinakamamahal na ina at sinagot din si Emma ng kanyang ina ng Happy Birthday dahil magkasunod o minsan natataon na kaarawan din ni Emma.

Itong taon na raw ang pinakamalungkot na pagdiriwang na araw ng mga Ina at kaarawan niya dahil batin niya man ay hindi na niya maririnig ang batig ng mapagmahal na ina.

Sana raw dumating ang panahon na maging masaya uli ang kanyang kaarawan.

Hangad din niya na maging ang pag-alala sa Mother's Day ay kaunting lungkot na lamang ang madarama.

Binabati pa rin daw ni Emma ang mga ina. Hindi nga naman lahat ay dumaranas ng kalungkutan tulad niya.

Bakit niya raw idadamay ang iba? Happy Mother's Day!



## Maagang Biyaya sa Mother's Day

By Vicks Reyes Munar

NASORPRESA nang husto si Donna, 30 tubong Isabela, nang isang umaga ay inabutang siya ng laissee pocket na may lamang 5,000 Hong Kong Dollars.

Agad niyang tinanong sa amo kung paraan ang inabot na pulang sobre at ang sabi sa kanya ay regalo daw sa kanya para sa Mother's day dahil siya daw ay napakabuti at ulirang ina.

Nag-uumpaw ang kanyang kasiyahang tinanggap ito hindi lang dahil sa pera kundi napakasaya niya dahil sa tinuran ng kanyang amo na siya ay napakabuti at ulirang ina.

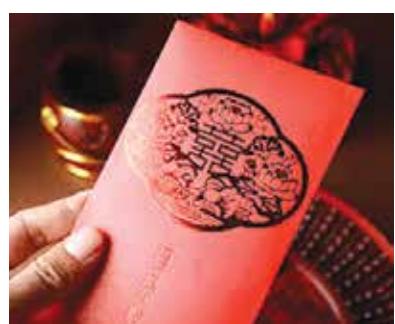
Madalas kasing makipagkwentuhan ang kanyang among matandang dalaga sa kanya at gustong-gusto nitong makibalita tungkol sa kaniyang tatlong anak. Dahil sa talagang palagay ang loob sa amo halos lahat ng pangayari tungkol sa kanyang mga anak ay nasasabi niya dito.

Maagang nabiyuda si Donna kaya solo niyang itinataguyod ang ikakabuhay ng kanyang mga anak. Maswerte siya dahil kahit na ang mga anak lang ang naiwan sa bahay ay lumaki silang mababait at masunurin sa kanya. Hindi naging sagabal ang kanyang trabaho sa malayo upang magampanan pa rin ang kanyang pagiging "ina" sa kanyang mga anak.

Maswerte siya dahil maluwag ang oras niya dahil nga sa nag-iisa lang naman ang kanyang pinagsisilbihan kung kaya't nasusubaybayan at nagagabay niya ng husto ang kanyang mga anak.

Sobra-sobrang pasasalamat sa Diyos ang laging sambit ni Donna dahil sa napakabait na amo ang natagpuan niya sa Hong Kong.

Balak niyang idagdag sa kanyang ipon ang biyayang natatanggap para sa natatanging araw, biyayang di-inaasahan mula sa among super bait at mapagbigay.



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# Kapuso Network's latest programs

SUMMER has never been this vibrant as GMA Network brings viewers new programs that are sure to add more color to the season.

Kicking off the Kapuso Network's string of offerings on a feisty note is the sexy dramedy series D' Originals. The show, which debuted last April 17 in North America and April 18 in Asia Pacific, the Middle East, and North Africa on GMA Pinoy TV, puts the spotlight on the hilarious story of three wives and their tussles with the three women who disrupt their quiet domestic lives. This series is top billed by 2016 Cannes Best Actress Jaclyn Jose together with 2016 Gawad Urian Best Actress LJ Reyes, Ang Bagong Pantasya ng Bayan Kim Domingo, together with Katrina Halili, Jestoni Alarcon, Mark Herras, Meg Imperial, Archie Alemania, and Lovely Abella.

Following the seductive ensemble is a docu-reality show where celebrity real or reel life couples take on the challenge of immersing as parents to their adoptive children. Follow Your Heart, hosted by Kapuso star Heart Evangelista-Escudero, will start airing on GMA Pinoy TV this April 23 in Asia Pacific and North America, and April 24 in the Middle East and North Africa.

From raising a foster family to imparting life lessons to children, Daig Kayo ng Lola Ko focuses on molding children's values by the stories they learn from their folks. The family-oriented show, premiering May 7 on GMA Pinoy TV, is headlined by Ms. Gloria Romero together with Jillian Ward, David Remo, Chlau Malayao, Julius Erasga. The show will be featuring celebrity guests every week and for its pilot episode, Primetime Queen Marian Rivera-Dantes is the special guest. This child-friendly show is directed by Rico Gutierrez.

Paying tribute to the colorful, romantic, heroic, and inspiring stories of Overseas Filipino Workers is the Network's first OFW-themed weekly anthology, Tadhana. Hosted by Kapuso Primetime Queen Marian Rivera, Tadhana aims to show viewers how Filipinos abroad live, work, and love. The program will be available to Filipinos worldwide via GMA Pinoy TV starting on May 28.

Another intriguing drama that will surely make the viewers glued to their television screens is the remake of the successful TV series Impostora. It is also the first GMA-produced TV drama adapted abroad. The Afternoon Prime drama is headlined by Kapuso versatile leading lady Kris Bernal and playing opposite her is GMA leading man Rafael Rosell. Also



HEART, MARIAN, at JENNYLYN

in the cast are versatile actors Ryan Eigenmann, Assunta de Rossi, Elizabeth Oropesa, Aicelle Santos, Vaness del Moral, Leandro Baldemor, Sinon Loresca, Yuan Francisco, Dayara Shane, with the special participation of James Blanco. Impostora is under the helm of Albert Langitan.

Also set to take flight via GMA Pinoy TV this May is the much anticipated and ground-breaking teleserye Mulawin vs. Ravana. Headlining the biggest teleserye of GMA this 2017 is none other than Kapuso Drama King Dennis Trillo, multi-talented Kapuso actress Carla Abellana and Kapuso Premier Actress Lovi Poe. Joining her first-ever full length

and TJ Trinidad; the actors in the mortal world – Angelu de Leon, Bobby Andrews, Joko Diaz, Charee Pineda and Nova Villa. Mulawin vs. Ravana is helmed by two of GMA's acclaimed directors Dominic Zapata and Don Michael Perez who is also the concept creator and head writer of the series.

Completing the Kapuso Network's roster of hot new shows this summer is the local remake of the hit Koreanovela My Love from the Star. Kapuso Ultimate Star Jennylyn Mercado breathes life to the popular character of Steffi, and for the character of Matteo, GMA Network introduces newest Kapuso actor and heartthrob Gil Cuerva who auditioned for the role. Joining them are Gabby Eigenmann, Glydel Mercado, Christian Bautista, Jackie Rice, Renz Fernandez, Spanky Manikan, Melissa Mendez, Nar Cabico. My Love From The Star is under the helm of acclaimed TV and movie director Bb. Joyce Bernal, and will also premiere abroad via GMA Pinoy TV this coming May.

It is surely going to be one summer to remember with all of the new program offerings of the Kapuso Network. Catch them soon on GMA's flagship international channel, GMA Pinoy TV.

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# Richard Gutierrez sinampahan ng tax evasion

By Cristy Kasilag

NABULABOG ang tahimik na pamumuhay ng aktor na si Richard Gutierrez nang kasuhan siya ng P38.57 million tax evasion case ng Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) sa Department of Justice nung ika-21 ng Abril.

Matagal nang lie low sa showbiz ang 33-anyos na aktor matapos siyang kumalas sa GMA Artist Center nuong 2013.

Kaya marahil may ilang nabigla nung nalaman na meron na palang itinayo ito

na production company na nag-aalok din ng mga pelikula, teleserye, palabas sa telebisyon. Hindi pa din pala siya tuluyan lumayo sa entertainment industry kung saan siya ay lumaki at nakilala ng mga Pilipino.

Ang alam lang ay parte siya ng reality show na "It Takes Gutz to be a Gutierrez" kung saan pinapakita ang mga kaganapan sa tunay na buhay ng Gutierrez family na pinagbibidahan nina Eddie Gutierrez, Annabelle Rama, at mga anak nila kabilang sina Ruffa, at si Richard at Raymond.



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# Fil-Brit ang bagong Bb. Pilipinas Universe

By Cristy Kasilag

MAY taas na 5'8 feet, ay nakoronahan ang 25-anyos na Filipino-British national na si Rachel Peters bilang Binibining Pilipinas Universe 2017.

Sa ginanap na Binibining Pilipinas 2017 nuong ika-30 ng Abril sa Araneta Coliseum, kung saan kinatawan niya ang probinsya ng Camarines Sur, ay tinalo ni Rachel ang 39 na iba pang contestants ng Bb. Pilipinas.

Liban sa mag-represent ng Pilipinas sa Miss Universe 2017, nakuha din ni Rachel ang ibang special awards na Jag Jeans Denim Queen, Miss Photogenic, Face of Binibini at Best in Swimsuit.

Hindi ito ang unang pagkakataon na sumali si Rachel sa isang beauty contest. Nuong taong 2014 ay tinanghal siya na Fourth Princess ng Miss World Philippines 2014.

Sa pagtalo niya buo ang suporta sa kanya hindi lamang ang kanyang pamilya kung hindi pati ang kanyang boyfriend na si Camarines Sur Governor Migz Vilafuerte.

Ipinagmamalaki ni Migz ang kanyang nobya. Sa katunayan ay bago pa ito mai-



RACHEL

tanghal na Miss Universe 2017 ay nagpost ang gobernador ng maikling mensahe para kay Rachel.

"So excited for [Rachel Peters] by far, you are the most genuine, sexiest, and most beautiful of them all. So proud of you!"

Ang sabi ng mga magulang ay hindi nila akalain na mananalo si Rachel ng timpalak dahil wala daw itong hilig sa mga beauty pageants. Sa katunayan ay halos dalawang

taon pa lamang mula nang siya ay nagsuot ng mga matataas na takong na sapat. Sports daw, lalo na ang swimming, at mga aso ang hilig ni Rachel.

Pero ang sabi ng Rachel, na isang events organizer, ay madami daw nag-sasabi sa kanya na muling sumabak sa beauty contest. At dahil ang pagsali ay hanggang sa edad na 26 taong gulang lamang ay naisip niya na baka pagsisihan niya kapag hindi nya muling sinubukan.

Naging maganda ang performance ni Rachel lalo na sa binigay niyang sagot nung tinanong siya nung Question and Answer portion na ano ang mensahe niya sa mga pinuno ng mga bansa na kasapi ng Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN).

At ang kanyang naging sagot ay: "I believe that one of the biggest problems that our country faces today is divisiveness – in politics, in religion, and also in culture. And I believe that it's something that is the same across the world. And so that is something I would want to address. I believe that when people can learn to tolerate each other's differences and respect each other's opinions, then we will be a stronger nation and world."

## Dayuhang Kasambahay

### Mga Karapatan at Proteksyon batay sa Ordenansa ng Empleyo



#### Legal na mga Araw ng Pahinga

- Ang isang dayuhan na katulong pangtahanan ay may karapatan sa:
  - legal na 12 araw ng pahinga** sa isang taon; at
  - bayad sa bakasyon kung siya ay nakapagtrabaho na nang 3 buwan na sinusundan ang anumang legal na araw ng pahinga.
- Hindi pinahihintulutan ang bayad bilang kapalit sa legal na araw ng pahinga.
- Kung ang legal na araw ng pahinga ay tumama sa araw ng pahinga, ang araw ng pahinga ay dapat ibigay kasunod sa araw ng pahinga.
- Ang kapalit na araw ng pahinga ay dapat ayusin sa loob ng 60 araw bago o pagkatapos ng legal na araw ng pahinga kung kailangan magtrabaho ng katulong pangtahanan sa araw ng pahinga.



#### Mga Araw ng Pahinga

- Isang dayuhan na katulong pangtahanan:
  - ay dapat may kahit **1 araw ng pahinga** tuwing 7 araw; at
  - maaaring magtrabaho sa pagkukusa sa araw ng pahinga.
- Dapat huwag pilitin ng amo ang isang katulong na magtrabaho sa araw ng pahinga.

#### Taunang Bakasyon

- Karapatan nang isang dayuhan na katulong pangtahanan ang nabayaran na taunang bakasyon pagkatapos magsilbi sa parehong amo tuwing 12 buwan sa sumusunod na halaga:
  - 7 araw sa bawa't pang-una at pangalawang taon nang serbisyo; at
  - umpisa sa pangatlong taon, ang bilang ay nadadagdagan ng 1 araw sa bawa't taon hanggang sa pinakamataas ay 14 na araw.



## Horoscope



### Capricorn December 22 to January 19

Mas mabuting agapan pag nagsisimula pa lang ang problema. Tutukan ito upang magawan pa ng paraan habang mas maaga.



### Aquarius January 20 to February 18

Kailangan mong magfocus. Pag-aralan mo kung paano mo maiwasan ang pagsayang ng mahalagang oras sa mga bagay na hindi mo naman pakikinabangan.



### Pisces February 19 to March 20

Dahan-dahan lang sa paggasta. Iwasan mong maubos ang naipon mong pera dahil sa mga maluluhong gamit at libangan.



### Aries March 21 to April 19

Kahit na pakiramdam mo ay tama, huwag ka pa rin lubos na magtitiwala. Mag-ingat ka lalo na kung may hihilingin sila sa iyo na kakaiba.



### Taurus April 20 to May 20

Maganda ang pagkakataon upang kumita ka nang malaki dahil sa isang project na gusto mo rin gawin. Magaan ang pera sa iyo.



### Gemini May 21 to June 20

Buksan mo ang iyong mata at tenga. Walang mawawala kung nakabantay ka na sa anumang kasasapitan ng pinag-uusapan nila sa iyo.



### Cancer June 21 to July 22

May hihingi ng payo at handa ka namang magbigay nito sa kanya. Huwag mo lang asahan na susundin niya ang payo mo.



### Leo July 23 to August 22

Kailangan mo ng katotohanan kaya huwag aksayahan ang oras sa mga haka-haka o mga akala. Kung wala kang katiyakan sa mga gagawin mo, humingi ng payo sa isang propesyonal tulad ng abogado at psychiatrist.



### Virgo August 23 to September 22

Pag-isipang mabuti kung saan gagamitin ang pera. Planuhin upang di maglaho na parang bula.



### Libra September 23 to October 22

Ang mga tao na iniwasan mo noong araw ay babalik muli sa buhay mo. Hindi mo sila kailangang kaibiganin, pwede ka namang maging civil lang sa kanila.



### Scorpio October 23 to November 21

Maging kontento ka na sa alam mong gagawin mo sa trabaho. Mahirap pumasok sa ibang larangan na hindi mo naman alam.



### Sagittarius November 22 to December 21

Oo nga't mas maraming karanasan ang mga tao na mas may edad sa iyo. Pero hindi lahat sa kanila ay may karapatang magbigay ng magandang payo.

## What's Cooking?

Getting tired of the usual way to cook beef? This Stir Fried Beef with Baby Corn and Bamboo Shoot is a good and new way to have your meat and your vegetables in one dish.

### Ingredients:

450g lean rump steak  
3 Tbsp. olive oil  
1 small onion, thinly sliced  
1 clove of garlic, sliced  
250g can baby corn, drained  
400g can bamboo shoot, sliced and drained  
2 Tbsp. Rice wine  
2 Tsp. sugar  
Salt & pepper to taste

1. Cut the meat into thin slice.
2. Coat with cornflour and set aside.
3. Heat 3 Tbsp. oil in a wok.
4. Stir fry onions and garlic in a few seconds.
5. Add the meat and sugar and stir fry

over high heat for 1 minute. Add the corn and bamboo shoot and stir fry for another minute.

6. Season with Worcestershire sauce, rice wine, and salt, and pepper.
7. Serve hot.

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By Chef Jay Dator



Juan: Anong THOR ang nagbibigay infromasyon sayo sa isang lugar  
Pedro: Ano?  
Juan: Eh di THOR Guide

Juan: Anong THOR ang pinakamatatalino sa klase?  
Pedro: Ano?  
Juan: Eh di ValedicTHORian

Juan: Anong THOR ang tumutulong sa homework ng mga estudyante?  
Pedro: Ano?  
Juan: Eh di TuTHOR

Juan: Anong THOR ang mahilig magdrawing?  
Pedro: Ano?  
Juan: Eh di, ArchitecTHOR

Juan: Anong THOR ang magaling magtranslate?  
Pedro: Ano?  
Juan: Eh di, TranslaTHOR

Juan: Ano ang sabi ng isda nang hiwain siya sa gitna?  
Pedro: Ano?  
Juan: I'm tuna (two na).

Juan: Ano ang sabi ng bangus nang mamamatay na siya?  
Pedro: Ano?  
Juan: Eh di I'm daing (dying)

Juan: Anong isda ang di nababasa?  
Pedro: Ano?  
Juan: Eh di, Tuyo!

Juan: Anong isda ang pinakamatanda?  
Pedro: Ano?  
Juan: Eh di Century Tuna!

Juan: Saan nagtratrabajo ang mga isda?  
Pedro: Saan?  
Juan: Eh di, offISH (office)

Juan: Anong isda ang nakasulat?  
Pedro: Ano?  
Juan: Eh di, laFISH!

Juan: Anong subject ang paborito ng mga fish?  
Pedro: Ano?  
Juan: Eh di, FISHical Education (Physical Education)

Juan: Anong tawag sa doctor ng mga fish?  
Pedro: Ano?  
Juan: Eh di, FISHician (Physician)

Juan: Anong isda ang bumabari?  
Pedro: Ano?  
Juan: Eh di, BANGUS!

Juan: Bakit maalat ang dagat?  
Pedro: Bakit?  
Juan: Para hindi mapanis ang mga isda.

Juan: Anong isda ang mahilig mambola?  
Pedro: Ano?  
Juan: Eh di, FISHBALL!

Juan: Anong FISH ang di makapal?  
Pedro: Ano?  
Juan: Eh di, ManiFISH?

Juan: Anong isda ang nakalutang sa tubig?  
Pedro: Ano?  
Juan: Eh di, patay na isda

Juan: Saang subject, palaging bumabagsak ang mga isda?  
Pedro: Ano?  
Juan: Eh di, FISHics (PHYSICS)

Juan: Anong fish ang may lahiang insecto?  
Pedro: Ano?  
Juan: Eh di, i-FISH

Juan: Anong buwan ang fiesta ng mga fish?  
Pedro: Ano?  
Juan: Eh di May 1, kasi FISH-tang Dagat.

## Crossword Puzzle

### PAHALANG

1 Bente sentimos  
7 Usog  
11 Narinig  
12 Salitang paturol  
13 Katulad noon  
14 Pera sa Iraq  
15 Maruming insekto  
16 Kisig  
17 Ayos ng buhok  
18 Tiis  
19 Tribu sa Aklan  
20 Puna  
21 Palayaw ni Abraham  
24 Manipis ang katawan  
26 Osama \_\_\_ Laden  
27 Pambansang dahon  
29 Pangalan ng babae  
30 Tuloy  
31 Henyo  
32 Inis  
33 Uri ng martial arts

34 Pagod  
35 Ilagay sa bambang

### PABABA

1 Octopus; Tagalog  
2 Idaiti  
3 Iniiimbestigahan  
4 Anak ni Seth  
5 Lata; Ingles  
6 Simbolo ng silver  
7 Inalagaan ang sanggol  
8 Pinapaalalahanan  
9 Biskwit ng Cebu  
10 Palayaw ni Teodoro  
14 Kuha sa bulsa  
16 Lamig  
18 Sigurado  
22 Partner ng dalaga  
23 Pinturang makintab  
25 Ngayon na; Kastila  
27 Anan  
28 Pita

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### Answer to last puzzle

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