



PRESS RELEASE

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UPDATED LIST OF ELECTORAL BALLOTS TO BE CLAIMED BY OVERSEAS ABSENTEE VOTERS (OAVs)

Los Angeles, 22 March 2010 – The Philippine Consulate General in Los Angeles wishes to inform that the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) has started sending ballots for the Philippine presidential and senatorial elections to Overseas Absentee Voters (OAVs). Many OAVs have received their ballots in the past weeks.

In the process, undelivered electoral mails were brought to the Consulate by the United States Postal Services (USPS).

OAVs who have not received their electoral mails are requested to send an email to oav_pcgenna@earthlink.net to check if their ballots are with the Consulate.

Once verified that your electoral mail is with the Consulate, it could be claimed at the Philippine Consulate General, 3600 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 500, Los Angeles, CA 90010, no later than 7 May 2010.

OAVs, who wish to have their ballots mailed to them, should do the following:

- Fax or mail a signed letter of request addressed to the Philippine Consulate General at fax number (213) 639-0990 or at the address indicated above. OAV should indicate the voter's complete address where the electoral ballot should be mailed.
- Attach a copy of any valid Philippine or U.S. government-issued identification card.

The Philippine Consulate would also like to issue the following reminders:

1. To claim your electoral mail, please present any valid Philippine or U.S. government-issued identification card;
2. OAVs listed who cannot claim their electoral mail can authorize a representative on their behalf. The authorized representative should present and submit the following:
 - a. Notarized letter of authorization of the Overseas Absentee Voter;
 - b. Photocopy of any Philippine or U.S. government-issued identification card of the OAV; and,
 - c. Any Philippine or U.S. government-issued identification card of the representative. A photocopy of the ID card of the representative is likewise required.
3. OAVs are advised to read carefully and follow the instructions contained in the electoral mail;
4. Official ballot envelopes should be received by the Philippine Consulate by 2am, 10 May 2010, Los Angeles time (or 6pm Manila time, as instructed by the Commission on Elections). ###end