



**ADVISORY 22 ON THE 2019 NOVEL CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19)**

<b>COVID-19 cases in Southern California, Southern Nevada, and Arizona</b> <i>(as of 15 April 2020)</i>	
• <b>Southern California:</b>	<b>18,497</b> COVID-19 cases with <b>599</b> deaths
• <b>Southern Nevada:</b>	<b>2,559</b> COVID-19 cases with <b>115</b> deaths
• <b>State of Arizona:</b>	<b>3,962</b> COVID-19 cases with <b>142</b> deaths

The Philippine Consulate General in Los Angeles informs Filipinos and Filipino-Americans in Southern California, Southern Nevada and Arizona that the **Philippine Government’s Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID)** issued the following Resolutions regarding returning **Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs)** to the Philippines:

1. **RESOLUTION NO. 23 ISSUED ON 13 APRIL 2020**  
**All OFWs** returning to the Philippines, whether sea-based or land-based, are required to undergo **14-day facility quarantine** upon arrival in the country.

All arrangements regarding the mandatory 14-day facility quarantine will be implemented by the **Philippine Government’s Sub-Task Group (STG) for the Repatriation of OFWS** under the National Task Force (NTF) – Task Groups on Response Operations, chaired by the Philippine Department of Transportation.

2. **RESOLUTION NO. 24 ISSUED ON 14 APRIL 2020**  
**Foreign cruise ships carrying Filipino crew shall be allowed to dock at ports in Manila and may be used as quarantine facilities** for said Filipino crewmembers, subject to the guidelines to be issued by the Philippine Government’s STG for the Repatriation of OFWs.

The use of the cruise ship as a quarantine site will be determined by the cruise ship’s suitability as a quarantine facility and the cruise ship owners’ willingness and capability to financially sustain the operation of the quarantine program of their ship.

Foreign crew onboard the cruise ship shall be allowed to disembark in Manila for the sole purpose of taking outbound flights to their final destination, provided that such foreign crew has also completed the 14-day mandatory quarantine.

For ships docked at ports in Southern California, the Consulate General in Los Angeles is closely coordinating with our Embassy in Washington, D.C. and the concerned cruise ship companies to arrange for the repatriation of Filipino crewmembers.

At the port of destination (i.e. in Manila), the Philippine Government’s STG, together with the Department of Health and Bureau of Quarantine shall designate the facility and coordinate other arrangements for the quarantine of returning OFWs.

Existing COVID-19 travel restrictions imposed by the **Philippine Government and U.S. Government** remain in place and may be accessed through the following links:

Philippine Consulate General in Los Angeles  
<https://www.philippineconsulatela.org/advisory-on-the-2019-novel-corona-virus;>

Philippine Bureau of Immigration: <http://immigration.gov.ph/>

U.S. CDC: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html>

U.S. State Department:  
<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/COVID-19-Country-Specific-Information.html>

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