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PH CONSULATE GENERAL IN LOS ANGELES WELCOMES NEW OFFICERS



Consul Marie Cris Chieng



Vice Consul Ralph Jacob Vitoria

Los Angeles. The Philippine Consulate General in Los Angeles welcomes into its ranks, **Consul Marie Cris Chieng** and **Vice Consul Ralph Jacob Vitoria**. They replace Consulate General officials whose official tours of duty ended in April 2023.

Immediately prior to her deployment to Los Angeles on 22 May 2023, Consul **Marie Cris Chieng** was Director in the Office of ASEAN Affairs of the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA). She also previously served in the DFA's Office of Consular Affairs and the Office of European Affairs. In the Foreign Service, Consul Chieng previously served in the Philippine Embassy in Berlin, Germany and the Philippine Embassy in Pretoria, South Africa. At the Philippine Consulate General in Los Angeles, she will be supervising the Cultural Diplomacy and Community Relations Section.

Hailing from Bacolod City, Consul Chieng holds a Bachelor's degree in Development Studies from the University of the Philippines in Manila.

Vice Consul Ralph Jacob Vitoria arrived on 17 May 2023. This is his first foreign assignment. He will be supervising the Consulate General's Administrative Section.

Prior to his assignment in Los Angeles, Vice Consul Vitoria was Principal Assistant in the DFA's Office of Asian and Pacific Affairs.

Vice Consul Vioria hails from Taytay, Rizal and holds a Bachelor's degree in Linguistics, graduating *magna cum laude* from the University of the Philippines in Diliman.

Prior to joining the DFA, Vice Consul Vioria worked with IBM Philippines as an HR Relocations Manager, and as a Digital Content Manager for digital marketing firm The Clay Media.END