



RESOLUTION NO. 1410
Series of 2021

**CANCELLING THE 2021 SPECIAL PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE
EXAMINATION FOR OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS**

WHEREAS, the Commission is empowered, under Section 7 (d) of Republic Act (R.A.) No. 8981, to administer and conduct the licensure examinations of the various regulatory boards in accordance with the rules and regulations promulgated by it, and to determine and fix the places and dates of such examinations;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 835 (s. 2009) was issued directing the Professional Regulation Commission (Commission) and other government agencies through the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) to conduct a yearly Special Professional Board Licensure Examinations (SPLE), when so warranted, in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates and other Middle East countries for the benefit of qualified Overseas Filipino Workers;

WHEREAS, the surge of the Delta Variant, the highly contagious strain of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), affected the whole world, including the Middle East, resulting to implementation of border closures, travel restrictions, lockdowns, and curfews to curb the same;

WHEREAS, in view of the global uncertainties caused by the COVID-19 crisis and the spread of the Delta Variant, the Licensure Office recommends the cancellation of the conduct of 2021 SPLE;

NOW THEREFORE, considering the foregoing and to ensure the health and safety of the SPLE examinees and Commission Delegates, the Commission **RESOLVES**, as it is hereby **RESOLVED, to CANCEL** the conduct of the 2021 Special Professional Board Licensure Examinations.

Let a copy of this Resolution be furnished the Office of the President, DOLE, Department of Foreign Affairs, Philippine Embassies/Consulates, Philippine Overseas Labor Office (POLO), and Filipino professional organizations in the aforementioned testing centers and coordination to all POLO and Filipino professional organizations of the Middle East shall be undertaken, for proper information dissemination.

DONE in the City of Manila this 23rd day of August 2021.

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Chairman

YOLANDA D. REYES
Commissioner
JOSE Y. CUETO, JR.
Commissioner