

# MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS:

This Memorandum of Agreement is entered into by:

The **DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT** with office address at IBP Road, Batasan Pambansa Complex, Constitution Hills, Quezon City represented by its Officer-In-Charge **EMMANUEL A. LEYCO** ("DSWD");

-and-

The **PHILIPPINE VETERANS AFFAIRS OFFICE** with office address at Veterans Compound, Camp General Emilio Aguinaldo, Quezon City represented by its Administrator **ERNESTO G. CAROLINA** ("PVAO");

-and-

The **COMMISSION ON FILIPINOS OVERSEAS** with office address at Citigold Center, 1345 President Quirino Avenue corner President Osmeña Highway, Manila represented by its Interim Officer-In-Charge **MARIA REGINA ANGELA G. GALIAS** ("CFO")

WITNESSETH: That –

**WHEREAS**, Republic Act 10868 or the Centenarians Act of 2016, grants the provision of Letter of Felicitation and Centenarian's Gift in the amount of Php100,000.00 for Filipino senior citizens who reached the age of one hundred years old (100), whether residing in the Philippines or abroad;

**WHEREAS**, the DSWD is the lead agency in the implementation of the said Act, in coordination with other implementing agencies;

**WHEREAS**, the DSWD issued Memorandum Circular No. 4, series of 2017 which provides for the guidelines in the implementation of the Centenarians Act of 2016;

**WHEREAS**, the DSWD issued Memorandum Circular No. 11, series of 2017 which provides guidelines in the implementation of the Centenarians Act of 2016 for those who were alive and qualified at the time of the effectivity of the law, but died before the implementation of the law;

**WHEREAS**, the Commission on Filipinos Overseas is tasked to evaluate all applications from the Philippine Embassies or Consulates and compile a folio of qualified applicants and endorse it to the Department of Social Welfare and Development for evaluation;

**WHEREAS**, the Philippine Veterans Affairs Office has also the means to determine, through its database, who among its pensioners are already centenarians and are qualified to receive the Centenarian's Gift;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises, hereinafter set forth, the parties hereto agree to undertake the program under the following terms and conditions:

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**I. SCOPE**

This MOA provides the guidelines for the processing, distribution, and release of the Centenarian Gift to qualified centenarians based abroad who are also PVAO pensioners or in case of deceased centenarians, to their nearest surviving relative.

**II. QUALIFIED RECIPIENTS**

All Filipino citizens living abroad, who reached the age of 100 years old before RA 10868 took effect and still living on July 15, 2016, the date RA 10868 took effect; and all Filipino citizens living abroad, who reached 100 years after RA 10868 took effect.

**III. PROJECT COST**

The DSWD, thru its Protective Services Bureau, shall issue a Certification as to the list of qualified centenarian and its corresponding amount based on the Certifications to be submitted by PVAO and CFO. The Certification to be issued by PSB shall form part of this MOA and shall determine the amount to be transferred to PVAO.

**IV. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

**A. Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD). The DSWD shall:**

1. Facilitate engagement with the concerned agencies through signing of Memorandum of Agreement on the transfer of fund and implementation of the Act;
2. Maintain and review submission of updated / validated list of centenarians living abroad by CFO together with the supporting documents;
3. Facilitate the request of budget for the identified number of centenarians living abroad;
4. Notify the concerned agencies on the availability of funds for the year for them to conduct the necessary coordination and dissemination to the centenarians;
5. Prepare the vouchers and facilitate transfer of centenarian's gift corresponding to the number of validated centenarians and ensure release of check to PVAO in accordance with Commission on Audit Circular Number 94-013 dated December 13, 1994 (Rules and Regulations in the Grant, Utilization and Liquidation of Funds transferred to Implementing Agencies) and the guidelines set forth for the implementation of this Project.
6. Monitor the program implementation and fund management by PVAO; and
7. Facilitate the execution of implementing guidelines with CFO and PVAO which provides for the details of implementation.
8. Issue Certification as to list of qualified centenarian and its corresponding amount.

**B. Commission on Filipinos Overseas (CFO). The CFO shall:**

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1. Review and evaluate all applications endorsed by the Philippine Veterans Affairs Office (PVAO), verify compliance with the required documentation and/or request for additional documents, if needed;

2. Prepare a complete folio of all qualified applicants and endorse the same to the DSWD for final evaluation and approval;
3. Prepare registry of overseas centenarians on a regular basis for DSWD's planning and budgeting purposes; and
4. Undertake regular information dissemination among the Filipino diaspora regarding the centenarian benefits and privileges.
5. Issue a Certification as to the list of qualified centenarian and its corresponding amount.

**C. Philippine Veterans Affairs Office (PVAO):** The PVAO shall:

1. Evaluate and validate the documents / records of PVAO pensioners living abroad who are also qualified to receive the Centenarian Gift;
2. Endorse to the CFO the list with validated documents / records of PVAO pensioners living abroad;
3. Receive the fund for the Centenarian Gift and issue official receipt for every amount received from the DSWD;
4. Facilitate the release of centenarian's gift to the pensioner-centenarian's account with PVAO;
5. Notify the pensioner-centenarian once the centenarian's gift has been credited to their account.
6. Submit to DSWD, within 30 days after completion of the project, a Final Liquidation on the utilization of funds, duly certified by the Accountant and approved by the Head of the PVAO in accordance with COA Circular No. 94-013 dated December 13, 1994 and COA Circular 2012-001 dated June 14, 2012, as amended by COA Circular 2016-002 dated May 31, 2016, copy furnished the CFO; the report shall include the Certification from the Servicing Bank that the amount representing the centenarian gift has been successfully credited to the veteran centenarian's account; and
7. Shall ensure compliance with all its obligations as implementing agency enunciated under COA Circular No. 94-013.
8. Issue a Certification as to the list of qualified centenarian and its corresponding amount.

**V. ACCOUNTABILITY**

The agreement shall serve as basis for the transfer of funds to the PVAO and shall be implemented as agreed upon in accordance with the terms and conditions stipulated herein. Failure on the part of any party to comply with the provisions of this Agreement will warrant its discontinuance and may give rise to filing of appropriate administrative and/or criminal actions against responsible officers and employees of the erring party.

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**VI. EFFECTIVITY**

This MOA shall take effect upon signing of the parties hereto and shall remain valid and existing until revoked or terminated earlier by mutual consent, giving each party at least sixty-days notice prior to the date of pre-termination.

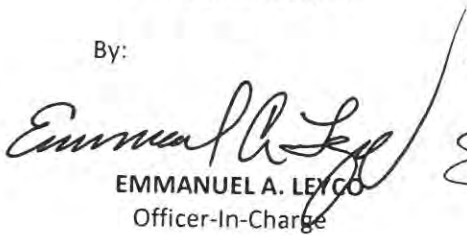
**VII. AMENDMENT**

No amendment of this MOA shall be valid or binding upon the parties unless made in writing and mutually agreed by the parties here at, which shall thereafter form part of this MOA.

\_\_\_\_\_, December 2017 DEC 29 2017


**DEPARTMENT OF  
SOCIAL WELFARE  
AND DEVELOPMENT**

By:

  
**EMMANUEL A. LEYCO**  
Officer-In-Charge

**PHILIPPINE VETERANS  
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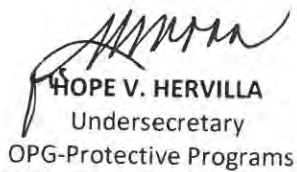
  
**ERNESTO G. CAROLINA**  
Administrator

**COMMISSION ON  
FILIPINOS OVERSEAS**

By:

  
**MARIA REGINA ANGELA  
G. GALIAS**  
Interim Officer-In-Charge

SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF:

  
**HOPE V. HERVILLA**  
Undersecretary  
OPG-Protective Programs

  
**RODRIGO V. GARCIA**  
Officer-In-Charge

  
**FERDINAND C. PALOR**  
Chief Veterans Assistance  
Officer & Chief

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

BEFORE ME, on the above date and place, personally appeared:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENT PRESENTED</u>
Emmanuel A. Leyco	Driver's license # N11-93-044356
Ernesto G. Carolina	PVAO ID # 2010-001
Maria Regina Angela G. Galias	Cfo ID 01-103

All known to me and to me known to be the same persons who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to that the same is their free and voluntary acts and deed and the free voluntary act and deed of the principal they represent.

The said instrument refers to Memorandum of agreement consisting of five (5) pages including this acknowledgement page and signed by the parties and witness on all pages.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL on the date and place first above written.

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*[Signature]*  
**ATTY. BERNARDO ALFONSO**  
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 PTR NO. 3805846 / 01-06-2017 Q.C.  
 ROLL NO. 13296  
 CLE Compliance No. III - 0020276  
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*[Handwritten signatures on the left margin: Emmanuel A. Leyco, Ernesto G. Carolina, Maria Regina Angela G. Galias]*