

## Embassy of the Republic of the Philippines Pretoria

## Very Urgent

## MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. PT- 07-2020

To

All Filipinos in South Africa, Botswana, Eswatini, Lesotho, Madagascar,

Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Zambia and Zimbabwe

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Philippine Embassy in Pretoria, South Africa

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Temporary Postponement of Consular Outreach Programs

Dt

16 March 2020

In view of developments regarding the global spread of COVID-19 and in line with recent guidelines and pronouncements issued by both the Philippine and South African Governments, the Embassy is constrained not to hold consular outreach programs until the COVID-19 situation has stabilized.

The consular outreach programs scheduled in the following areas are postponed until further notice:

Date	Area
21 March 2020	King Williams Town, Eastern Cape,
	South Africa
29 March 2020	Lusaka, Zambia
18 April 2020	Maseru, Lesotho

While the Embassy wishes to render much needed consular services to Filipinos under its jurisdiction, the health and safety of our *kababayans* comes first during this critical time.

Filipinos in far-flung areas of South Africa and other neighboring countries under the Embassy's jurisdiction who need to apply for ePassports and other services for urgent reasons (i.e. obtaining work visa or permit) may secure a special appointment with the Embassy at +27 72 437 9517 or pretoriapeconsular@gmail.com.

The Embassy appeals to the public's kind understanding and usual cooperation on the matter.

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