



Republic of the Philippines
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT
INTERNATIONAL LABOR AFFAIRS BUREAU
Intramuros, Manila



MEMORANDUM

TO : All Heads of Philippine Overseas Labor Offices

SUBJECT : Request for Dissemination of WHO Survey, "ApartTogether"

DATE : 11 September 2020

This has reference to the World Health Organization-led study, ApartTogether, which aims to assess the psychosocial impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on refugees and migrants. Along with WHO, the UN System, and a consortium of research centres led by Ghent University (Belgium) and University of Copenhagen (Denmark) are also working on the global study.

In particular, the target respondents for Filipinos are those who have migrated to other countries including their Philippine-born children aged 16 years old and above, those working in other countries, and Overseas Filipino Workers, including those who lost their jobs and those stranded due to the pandemic.

In this regard, may we request all POLOs to disseminate information as well as the link to the abovementioned study through your respective Facebook pages and websites: <https://www.aparttogetherstudy.org/>. POLOs may also share the same to OFW networks and organizations, to maximize OFW participation in the said study and to ensure that the situation of Filipinos abroad will be considered in future policy formulation and program development.

For your kind consideration, please. Thank you very much.


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