



MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 86

AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF DIGITAL NOMAD VISA

WHEREAS, Section 47(a)(2) of Commonwealth Act (CA) No. 613 or the "Philippine Immigration Act of 1940," as amended, authorizes the President, when public interest so warrants and under such conditions that he may prescribe, to admit as non-immigrants, aliens who are not covered by existing immigration laws and who are coming to the country on a temporary basis;

WHEREAS, Section 21 (3), Chapter 7, Title I, Book IV of Executive Order (EO) No. 292 or the "Administrative Code of 1987" empowers the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA), through the Philippine Embassies and Consulates, to issue visas to foreign nationals desiring to travel to the Philippines;

WHEREAS, Section 8, Chapter 2, Title I, Book IV of EO No. 292 provides that the DFA, through the Office of Consular Services, shall be responsible for the efficient and effective delivery of passport, visa, and authentication services to the public;

WHEREAS, Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book IV of EO No. 292 mandates the Bureau of Immigration (BI) to administer and enforce immigration, citizenship, and alien admission and registration laws in accordance with the provisions of CA No. 613, as amended;

WHEREAS, according to the World Economic Forum, the Philippines ranked as the 7th fastest-growing remote work hub country in the world in 2023;

WHEREAS, to further boost tourism and economy in the country, there is a need to establish a legal framework to facilitate the entry of Digital Nomads in the country or foreign nationals who desire to temporarily stay in the Philippines while engaged in remote work activities for overseas employers or clients;

WHEREAS, the issuance of special non-immigrant visas to Digital Nomads is consistent with the Philippine Development Plan 2023-2028 and the Administration's thrust and commitment to promote tourism, economic development, and digital innovation in the country; and

THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, Section 17, Article VII of the Constitution vests in the President the power of control over all the Executive departments, bureaus, and offices, and the mandate to ensure the faithful execution of laws;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND R. MARCOS, JR., President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and existing laws, do hereby order:

Section 1. Digital Nomad Visa. The DFA is hereby authorized to issue Digital Nomad Visas (DNVs) to non-immigrant foreigners who desire to enter and/or stay in the country for a temporary period for the purpose of working remotely using digital technologies, and whose clients or employers are situated outside the Philippines.

The DFA shall create a database of all DNV holders for monitoring purposes. In this regard, the DFA shall strictly comply with data privacy requirements under Republic Act No. 10173 or the "Data Privacy Act of 2012."

Section 2. Conditions. Foreigners applying for DNV must comply with the following:

- a. Must be at least 18 years of age;
- b. Must show proof of remote work using digital technology;
- c. Must show proof of sufficient income which is generated outside the Philippines;
- d. Must show proof of no criminal record;
- e. Must have health insurance valid for the period of the DNV;
- f. Must be a national of a country that offers DNVs to Filipinos and where the Philippines has a Foreign Service Post (FSP);
- g. Must not pose threat to the internal or external security of the Philippines; and
- h. Must not be employed in the Philippines.

Foreigners who are issued valid DNVs must maintain compliance with the abovementioned conditions during the validity of their DNVs.

The BI is hereby directed to closely coordinate with DFA in facilitating security clearance of foreigners applying for DNVs, subject to existing laws, rules and regulations.

Foreigners who are nationals of countries that offer DNVs to Filipinos but do not have a Philippine FSP therein may apply for DNV in the nearest country where a Philippine FSP is located, subject to the Implementing Guidelines under Section 7 hereof.

Section 3. Validity. Foreigners who are issued valid DNVs may enter and/or stay in the Philippines for a maximum period of one (1) year. DNV holders may renew their visas for the same duration, and may be granted multiple entry privileges during the validity of their DNVs.

Section 4. Revocation. Subject to existing laws, rules and regulations, the DFA shall determine the grounds for the revocation of DNVs. Such grounds shall

include, among others, DNV holder's engagement in local employment, commission of fraud or misrepresentation in the application, and/or violation of immigration laws.

Section 5. DNV Program. The DFA, in coordination with the Department of Justice (DOJ), Department of Tourism (DOT), BI, and Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR), are hereby directed to study and, as may be necessary, adopt measures to effectively implement a DNV Program with the end in view of attracting eligible foreigners to avail the Program. These measures shall include the conduct of a pilot implementation of said Program within 60 days from the effectivity of this Order, subject to existing laws, rules and regulations.

Section 6. Reports. To monitor compliance with this Order, the DFA shall submit to the President, through the Executive Secretary, a bi-annual report on the implementation of the DNV Program and the issuance of DNVs.

Section 7. Implementing Guidelines. Within 30 days from the effectivity of this Order, the DFA, in coordination with DOJ, DOT, BI, and BIR, shall issue the necessary guidelines for the effective implementation of this Order, which shall include, among others, the procedures for issuing, renewing, and revoking DNVs.

Section 8. Separability. If any part or provision with this Order shall be held invalid or unconstitutional, the provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 9. Repeal. All orders, rules and regulations, and other issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Order, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 10. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 24th day of April, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Five.

By the President:



LUCAS P. BERSAMIN
Executive Secretary

