



Republic of the Philippines
Professional Regulation Commission
Manila



RESOLUTION NO. 2157
Series of 2026

**CANCELLING THE MAY 2026 SPECIAL PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE EXAMINATIONS
IN MIDDLE EAST COUNTRIES AND RESCHEDULING THE CONDUCT THEREOF
IN HONG KONG, SINGAPORE, AND TAIWAN**

WHEREAS, Section 7 (d) of Republic Act (R.A.) No. 8981, also known as the “PRC Modernization Act of 2000”, empowers the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC/Commission) to administer and conduct the licensure examinations of the various Professional Regulatory Boards (PRBs/Boards) in accordance with the rules and regulations it may promulgate, determine and fix the places and dates of examinations, and adopt measures to preserve the integrity and inviolability of the licensure examinations;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order No. 835 (s. 2009)¹, the Commission issued Resolution No. 2145 (s. 2026)² which scheduled the Special Professional Licensure Examination (SPLE) in Middle East Countries, Hong Kong, Singapore, and Taiwan;

WHEREAS, Commission issued Memorandum Order No. 79 (s. 2024)³ which provides that in order to be designated as a testing center, the host country must not be in a state of war, anarchy or civil unrest, or under a state of emergency by reason of natural or man-made calamity or disaster, epidemic, or under any other condition which may pose danger to the security of the employees and/or property of the Commission;

WHEREAS, during a consultative meeting with the representatives of the Philippine Embassy and the Migrant Workers Office in the previously designated testing centers, it was recommended that the conduct of the May 2026 SPLE in the region be postponed in view of the ongoing civil unrest in several Middle East countries;

WHEREAS, the prevailing environment of uncertainty, fear, and disruption is not conducive for the proper administration of licensure examinations, which require focus, stability, and secure conditions;

WHEREAS, examinees may be exposed to undue stress, anxiety, and potential harm, thereby compromising not only their performance but also the integrity and fairness of the examination process;

WHEREAS, the safety and well-being of all those involved in the administration and conduct of the examination, including the examinees, examination personnel from the PRC, volunteers from the testing centers, and personnel from the Philippine Embassies and/or Migrant Workers Offices, are the primordial considerations of the Commission;

¹ Executive Order entitled, “*DIRECTING THE PROFESSIONAL REGULATION COMMISSION AND OTHER CONCERNED GOVERNMENT AGENCIES THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT TO CONDUCT A YEARLY SPECIAL PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE BOARD EXAMINATIONS (SPLBE) IN THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA, QATAR, THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES AND OTHER MIDDLE EAST COUNTRIES FOR THE BENEFIT OF QUALIFIED OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS*”

² Commission Resolution entitled, “*FIXING THE DATES AND PLACES FOR THE 2026 SPECIAL PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE EXAMINATIONS (SPLE) FOR OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS (OFWs) IN THE MIDDLE EAST COUNTRIES, HONG KONG, SINGAPORE AND TAIWAN*”

³ Commission Memorandum entitled, “*REVISED CRITERIA AND PROCEDURE ON THE DESIGNATION OF TESTING CENTERS FOR THE SPECIAL PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE EXAMINATION (SPLE)*”

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NOW, THEREFORE, the Commission **RESOLVES**, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, to **CANCEL** the conduct of the **MAY 2026 Special Professional Licensure Examinations** in **Bahrain; Al-Khobar, Jeddah, and Riyadh in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; Qatar; Kuwait; Abu-Dhabi and Dubai in the United Arab Emirates; and Israel.**

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the May 2026 SPLE in Hong Kong, Singapore, and Taiwan is **RESCHEDULED**, as follows:

I. Examination Dates

May 29, 30, and 31, 2026 (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday)

II. Licensure Examinations to be Administered

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| 1. Aeronautical Engineers | 17. Midwives |
| 2. Agriculturists | 18. Nurses |
| 3. Architects | 19. Physical Therapists |
| 4. Certified Plant Mechanics | 20. Professional Food Technologists |
| 5. Certified Public Accountants | 21. Professional Teachers |
| 6. Chemical Engineers | 22. Psychologists |
| 7. Chemical Technicians | 23. Psychometricians |
| 8. Civil Engineers | 24. Radiologic Technologists |
| 9. Criminologists | 25. Real Estate Appraisers |
| 10. Customs Brokers | 26. Registered Electrical Engineers |
| 11. Electronics Engineers | 27. Registered Master Electricians |
| 12. Electronics Technicians | 28. Respiratory Therapists |
| 13. Environmental Planners | 29. Sanitary Engineers |
| 14. Master Plumbers | 30. Social Workers |
| 15. Mechanical Engineers | 31. Veterinarians |
| 16. Medical Technologists | 32. X-Ray Technologists |

RESOLVED FINALLY, that all affected applicants who have successfully applied and paid the corresponding fees through the LERIS may use the same in any of the next two consecutive (2) SPLEs, or may opt to transfer to the local licensure examination and utilize their application within the next two (2) scheduled local examinations.

Let a copy of this Resolution be furnished the Office of the President, DOLE, DMW, DFA, Philippine Embassies/Consulates, Migrant Workers Offices and/or Manila Economic and Cultural Office in Bahrain Al-Khobar, Jeddah, Riyadh, Qatar, Kuwait, Abu-Dhabi, Dubai, Hong Kong, Singapore, and Taiwan.

Done in the City of Manila, this 26th day of **March 2026**.


CHARITO A. ZAMORA
Chairperson


ERWIN M. ENAD
Commissioner


CONRADO T. ONGLAO
Commissioner