

KUWAIT

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**Issuance of Machine Readable Travel Documents (MRPs)**

Due to the shortage of ePassport booklets supply from the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), and in order to assure continued issuance of passports to the public, please be informed that a Machine Readable Travel Documents (MRPs) will be issued to applicants filing their applications from **29 June 2015** and shall continue until further notice.

The machine readable travel document has the following features:

- It is the same as the Machine Readable Passport (MRP);
- It meets the minimum ICAO travel requirement and can be used for normal travel and for multiple destinations, just like the ePassport;
- It is valid for five (5) years;
- Like the electronic Passport, electronic data capturing, signing and transmission are required.

The release dates of the said passports will be six (6) to eight (8) weeks.

The fee shall be Fifty US Dollars (US\$50.00) or K.D. 16.250.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Interior of Kuwait shall be advised about this temporary Philippine travel document, so that there would not be any problems in the issuance of the residence visa in Kuwait.

Thank you very much.



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