

PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES TO THE UNITED NATIONS AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, GENEVA

ADVISORY NO. 3 Subject: Reminders for the 2022 National Elections

- 1. Overseas Absentee voting will commence on Sunday, 10 April 2022, from 8:00 AM until 5:00 PM. Registered voters inside the Philippine Chancery at closing time can claim their election packets/ballots until 6:00 PM.
- 2. Geneva PM/PCG will observe the 30-day voting period from 10 April until 09 May 2022 based on COMELEC rules. Except for the first and last days of the voting period, daily voting hours are from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM (no lunch break), from Mondays to Sundays.
- 3. The mode of voting for Geneva PM/PCG is primarily postal voting where election packets/ballots are either sent by mail or claimed by the voter from the Philippine Chancery (located at 14-16 Allée David-Morse, 1202 Geneva). Registered voters can choose to either return by mail the accomplished ballot to Geneva PM/PCG or drop it in designated boxes inside the Chancery.
- Should registered voters wish to check their voting status/ details, the Certified List of Voters (CLOVs) under the jurisdiction of Geneva PM/PCG can be found at this link: <u>https://genevapcg.dfa.gov.ph/images/pdf/GENEVAPMPCG_SWITZERLAND_LANDBA_SEDn.pdf</u>)
- 5. Registered voters are encouraged to email the Geneva PM/ PCG at <u>oavgenevapm@gmail.com</u> to promptly indicate their preference to either claim in-person their election packets/ballots or have these mailed to their registered address. Kindly attach in your email a copy of a valid Philippine passport and/or Philippine Citizenship Reacquisition documents issued under Republic Act NO 9225 of 2003, for verification purposes.
- 6. Registered voters who have changed/ transferred residences and/ or who have not updated their addresses since the end of the registration period from 16 December 2019 to 14 October 2021 and informed Geneva PM/ PCG of such changes, are encouraged to personally claim their election packet/ballot at the Philippine Chancery or contact Geneva PM/PCG at email <u>oavgenevapm@gmail.com</u> to request mailing delivery of the packet/ ballot to the new address.
- 7. To update the residence address for purposes of delivery of the ballot/ packet, the concerned registered voter must submit a written request to Geneva PM/PCG for a change in address, attaching the following documents:
 - A. A copy of valid Philippine passport and/or Philippine Citizenship Reacquisition documents;
 - B. A copy of a document showing proof of current address (i.e., utility bills, insurance bill or credit card bills, among other bills); and
 - C. A duly accomplished OVF-1 form to apply for a change of address within Switzerland (see attached).
- 8. Voters are urged to take the opportunity to cast their vote early, contact us at <u>oavgenevapm@gmail.com</u>, in case of election-related concerns, and to strictly follow election rules, proper decorum, and health protocols on social distancing while at the Chancery.