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**DISSEMINATION OF DFA MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 09-13**  
(Replacement of the Diplomatic and Official Machine-Readable  
Passports (MRPs) with a Diplomatic and Official E-Passports)

To: Undersecretaries  
Assistant Secretaries  
Bureau Directors  
Directors of Services, Centers and Heads of Units  
Regional Directors  
Schools Division/City Superintendents  
Heads, Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools  
All Others Concerned

1. For the information and guidance of all concerned, enclosed is a copy of the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA) Memorandum Circular No. 09-13 dated May 20, 2013 entitled **Replacement of the Diplomatic and Official Machine-Readable Passports (MRPs) with a Diplomatic and Official E-Passports** which is self explanatory.
2. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
**BR. ARMIN A. LUISTRO FSC**  
Secretary

Encl.:  
As stated

Reference:  
None

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Department of Foreign Affairs

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR No. 09-13

**SUBJECT: REPLACEMENT OF THE DIPLOMATIC AND OFFICIAL  
MACHINE-READABLE PASSPORTS (MRPs) WITH  
A DIPLOMATIC AND OFFICIAL E-PASSPORTS**

TO ALL HEADS OF DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT OWNED AND CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS AND GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS AND CITY MAYORS AND ALL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS/EMPLOYEES WHO ARE HOLDERS OF DIPLOMATIC OR OFFICIAL MACHINE-READABLE PASSPORTS:

The DFA has phased out the issuance of the series of Philippine diplomatic and official passports which do not contain the signature of the bearer.

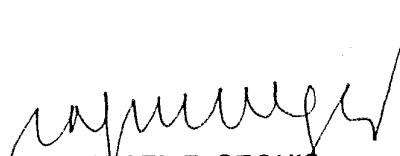
However, there are still a number of these types of diplomatic and official Machine Readable Passports (MRPs) that are currently being used by government officials/employees for their official travel abroad.

Considering that this type of passport is no longer being issued and with a view to facilitating the official travel of concerned government officials, please be advised that diplomatic or official MRPs, without signature of the bearer, particularly the following series will be replaced/renewed with a diplomatic or official e-Passport before the next intended official travel abroad:

Diplomatic Passport Series Nos. : DP0004240 to DP0008389  
Official Passport Series Nos. : OF0008212 to OF0020000

In view of the above, it would be appreciated if the above information could be disseminated to all concerned government officials and employees. Inquiries on this matter may be directed to the Office of Consular Affairs-Diplomatic and Official Passports Section at telephone no. 834-4000 loc. 2974/2292/2293; fax no. 836-7765 or E-mail address oca\_dops@yahoo.com.ph.

For information and guidance.

  
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