

**[ EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 809, June 11, 1982 ]**

**AMENDING LETTER OF INSTRUCTION NO. 1093 GOVERNING THE  
ADMISSION TO OR STAY IN THE PHILIPPINES AS TEMPORARY  
VISITORS OF CHINESE NATIONALS WHO ARE HOLDERS OF  
PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA PASSPORTS.**

WHEREAS, it is the declared policy of the Government to make the tourist industry a positive instrument towards accelerated national development through which more people from other lands may visit and appreciate the Philippines;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to provide full support to the government policies and programs designed to attract and induce people from abroad to visit the Philippine by removing unnecessary barriers to their travel through the integration and simplification of travel regulations; and

WHEREAS, this goal may be achieved by the revision of the applicable provisions of law/rules/regulations for the issuance of visas and the admission of aliens, in order to enable Chinese nationals to obtain visas with ease and speed and to stay for a longer period in the country as well as to assure them of courteous and hospitable reception.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the amendment of LOI 1093 so that paragraph 1A thereof shall read as follows:

"Tourist visas on individual basis may be issued to Chinese nationals who are holders of valid People's Republic of China (PROC) passports, their accompanying spouses and minor children whose names and pictures are included in a collective passport for entry into the Philippines for a stay of not more than twenty-one (21) days, without the necessity of posting any cash bond, as an exception to the Cabinet Policy of March 10, 1954. The maximum period of stay herein fixed may only be extended on very compelling reasons and under exceptional circumstances by the Minister of Justice."

For the effective implementation of this Order, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Commission on Immigration and Deportation and the National Intelligence Security Authority (NISA) are hereby directed to issue the necessary joint circular enjoining strict observance of the provisions hereof by all functionaries concerned.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 11th day of June, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty-two.