

Republic of the Philippines OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

NATIONAL COMMISSION ON MUSLIM FILIPINOS

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COMMISSION EN BANC RESOLUTION NO. ________, SERIES OF 2025

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BUREAU OF LEGAL AFFAIRS TO CONDUCT INVESTIGATION AGAINST THE AL-HARAMAIN TRAVEL AND TOURS, INC. THAT OFFERS TO FACILITATE HAJJ TO THE MUSLIM FILIPINOS

WHEREAS, under Section 4, Article I of Republic Act No. 9997, otherwise known as *National Commission on Muslim Filipinos Act of 2009*, the Commission is mandated *to* "preserve and develop the culture, tradition, institutions, and well-being of Muslim Filipinos, in conformity with the country's laws and in consonance with national unity and development",

WHEREAS, Section 8, paragraph (q) of Article II of the same law provides that among the powers and functions of the Commission is to *administer all programs, projects* and activities, formulate the necessary rules and regulations, and coordinate with pertinent offices to ensure the success of the annual Hajj (pilgrimage) to Mecca, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia;

WHEREAS, the law further provides in its Section 11, paragraph (g) states that "the Legal Affairs Bureau shall be responsible for providing Muslim Filipinos with legal education and assistance in case of litigation involving their persons or interests; act as the legal counsel of the Commission";

WHEREAS, it came to the knowledge of the Commission that Al-Haramain Travel and Tours, Inc., a local travel agency, offers to facilitate Hajj to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to Muslim Filipinos through *mujamalah* (courtesy) visas;

WHEREAS, on May 8, 2025, in a special meeting held for the purpose, the Commission deliberated upon the possible adverse repercussion of the aforesaid activity of the Al-Haramain Travel and Tours, Inc. not only on the apparent impairment of its mandate, but the probable prejudice that the Muslim Filipinos may suffer in the event Al-Haramain Travel and Tours, Inc. will not be able to deliver its offer;

WHEREAS, to ensure the well-being of the concerned Muslim Filipinos, the Commission intends to determine whether or not the aforementioned activity of Al-Haramain Travel and Tours, Inc. is legitimate;

WHEREAS, to pursue the aforesaid intent, it is necessary for the Commission En Banc to authorize its Bureau of Legal Affairs to conduct investigation on Al-Haramain Travel and Tours, Inc.;

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NOW THEREFORE, the Commission **RESOLVES,** as it is hereby **RESOLVED,** to authorize the Bureau of Legal Affairs headed by Director Rolando T. Abo, to conduct investigation on Al-Haramain Travel and Tours, Inc. to determine the legality of its activity of facilitating Hajj to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to Muslim Filipinos through *mujamalah* (courtesy) visas.

RESOLVED FURTHER to officially furnished with copy of the approved resolution, the Bureau of Legal Affairs;

APPROVED AND SIGNED by the undersigned Commissioners, this 8th day of May 2025 at Quezon City, Philippines.

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