



Republic of the Philippines
Sandiganbayan
Quezon City

SEVENTH DIVISION

MINUTES of the proceedings held on August 18, 2017.

Present:

MA. THERESA DOLORES C. GOMEZ-ESTOESTA ----- Chairperson
ZALDY V. TRESPESES ----- Associate Justice
BAYANI H. JACINTO ----- Associate Justice*

The following resolution was adopted:

SB-17-CRM-0001 to 0015 – People v. Ma. Josefina M. De la Cruz, et al.

In her “MOTION TO FOR PERMISSION TO TRAVEL” dated August 15, 2017, accused Ma. Josefina M. Dela Cruz prays that she be allowed to travel to Lisbon, Portugal from September 19 to 23, 2017 and to Madrid, Spain from September 23 to 29, 2017. While in Portugal, she will be staying HF Fenix Garden with address at Rua Joaquin Antonio de Aguilar 3, Santo Antonio, 1050-010 Lisbon. While in Spain, she will be staying at Aparto-Hotel Rosales located at Marques De Urquijo, 23, Monchoa-Aravaca, 28008, Madrid.

Over the objection of the prosecution,¹ the instant motion is hereby **GRANTED**, subject to the usual terms and conditions imposed by the Court, to wit:

1. That her itinerary of travel shall cover only Lisbon, Portugal and Madrid, Spain;
2. That accused shall leave not earlier than September 19, 2017 and shall be back in the Philippines not later than September 30, 2017;
3. That the travel bond posted by her in the amount of Seven Hundred Twenty Thousand (Php 720,000.00) pesos under O.R. No. 6261051 dated March 9, 2017 shall continue to guarantee her faithful compliance with the terms and conditions imposed herein;
4. That within five days after accused’s return to the Philippines, she shall present herself in person to the Division Clerk of Court,

¹ Per Admin Order No. 284-2017 dated August 18, 2017.

The prosecution’s “COMMENT/OPPOSITION (re: Motion for Permission to Travel) filed by accused Dela Cruz” dated August 16, 2017.

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together with her passport and photocopies of the pages thereof indicating the stamp of her departure from, and entry or arrival in the Philippines, the photocopies to be authenticated by the Division Clerk of Court after a comparison with the original thereof, and to submit to this Court a written formal compliance with the terms and conditions of this Resolution within 15 days of her expected date of return;

5. That if, for whatever reason, the accused shall not be able to undertake the travel abroad as herein authorized, she shall, within five days from her expected date of return had she undertaken the same, nonetheless personally present herself to the Division Clerk of Court, together with photocopies of the pertinent pages of her passport bearing no stamp of departure from or entry into the Philippines during the relevant period, the same to be authenticated by the Division Clerk of Court after proper comparison with the passport itself and submitted together with an appropriate manifestation from the accused;
6. That any material misrepresentation made in her Motion to Travel shall be punished as contempt of this Court and shall be dealt with accordingly;
7. That she will abide faithfully with all her undertakings herein, such that any violation of the terms and conditions contained in this Resolution shall be sufficient ground for this Court to order the forfeiture of her travel bond, as well as to cause the issuance of a warrant for her arrest;
8. That notice of further proceedings hereon should she not return as undertaken, shall be made to her through her counsel on record; and
9. That if she fails to return as undertaken, trial will proceed as scheduled.

SO ORDERED. *ujr*

GOMEZ-ESTOESTA, J.

TRESPESES, J.

JACINTO, J.

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