



Republic of the Philippines  
*Sandiganbayan*  
Quezon City

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SEVENTH DIVISION

*MINUTES of the proceedings held on October 25, 2017.*

*Present:*

<i>MA. THERESA DOLORES C. GOMEZ-ESTOESTA</i>	-----	<i>Chairperson</i>
<i>REYNALDO P. CRUZ**</i>	-----	<i>Associate Justice</i>
<i>BAYANI H. JACINTO*</i>	-----	<i>Associate Justice</i>

*The following resolution was adopted:*

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

In her “MOTION FOR PERMISSION TO TRAVEL” dated October 14, 2017, accused Ma. Josefina M. De la Cruz prays that she be allowed to travel to New York, USA from November 21 to November 30, 2017 and while there, she will be staying at Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott New York/Manhattan/Chelsea with address at 116 West 28<sup>th</sup> Street, Chelsea, New York City, NY 10001 and with contact number +1 212 206 0998.

Over the objection of the prosecution,<sup>1</sup> the instant motion was **GRANTED** during the hearing of the motion last October 20, 2017, subject to the usual terms and conditions imposed by the Court, to wit:

1. That her itinerary of travel shall cover only New York, USA;
2. That accused shall leave not earlier than November 21, 2017 and shall be back in the Philippines not later than November 30, 2017;
3. That the travel bond posted by her in the amount of Seven Hundred Twenty Thousand (Php720,000.00) 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, together with her passport and photocopies of the pages thereof

\*\* Per Admin Order No. 360-2017 dated October 20, 2017.

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

<sup>1</sup> The prosecution’s “COMMENT/OPPOSITION (re: Very Urgent Manifestation with attached Motion for Permission to Travel) filed by accused Dela Cruz” dated October 19, 2017.

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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;


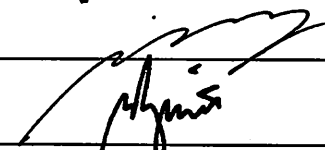

5. That if, for whatever reason, the accused shall not be able to undertake the travel abroad as herein authorized, she shall, within five days from her expected date of return had she undertaken the same, nonetheless personally present herself to the Division Clerk of Court, together with photocopies 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.**

**GOMEZ-ESTOESTA, J.**

**CRUZ, J.**

**JACINTO, J.**

  
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