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DFA Undersecretary Arriola Assures Public of Speedy Assistance to Nationals
Overseas



L-R Usec. Sarah Arriola, Hosts Irma Aspillaga and Joel Inocencio, and Consul General Theresa Dizon-De Vega (photo by NYPCG)

20 February 2018, New York – Undersecretary Sarah Arriola was the special guest of the popular Facebook-based social media program "I Am Pinoy Proud Ako" Live Sunday Express Edition on 18 February 2018 at the IAPPA studio in Queens, New York.

During the over one hour broadcast, Usec. Arriola assured viewers that the Philippine Government is exerting all possible efforts to respond effectively, efficiently, and in a timely manner to the needs of Filipinos in distress all over the world.

She noted that President Rodrigo Roa Duterte issued marching orders from the start of his administration for government to address the plight of overseas Filipinos and work not only for their well-being but also their comfort.

A wide range of topics were covered during the show from the ongoing repatriation efforts of Filipinos availing of the current government amnesty in Kuwait, the adjustments made in the utilization of the DFA's Assistance-to-Nationals Fund and Legal Assistance Fund to make both more responsive to the needs of overseas Filipino nationals to combatting illegal recruitment and preventing labor and human trafficking.

Undersecretary Arriola was joined during the broadcast by Consul General Theresa Dizon-De Vega and the show's regular hosts Irma Aspillaga and Joel Inocencio. END



Undersecretary Arriola, Consul General De Vega with the I Am Pinoy Proud Ako Team