



Republic of the Philippines
Supreme Court
Office of the Court Administrator
Manila

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 56 - 2021

TO: ALL JUDGES OF FIRST AND SECOND LEVEL COURTS


RE: EXTENSION OF THE MORATORIUM ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GUIDELINES ON THE CONDUCT OF VIDEOCONFERENCING WITH RESPECT TO REMOTE APPEARANCE FROM ABROAD

In OCA-Circular No. 18-2021, dated 1 February 2021, the implementation of the Guidelines on the Conduct of Videoconferencing (A.M. No. 20-12-01-SC, dated 9 December 2020) with respect to remote appearances from abroad was suspended until 1 April 2021.

However, considering the 21 April 2021 letter of Secretary Teodoro L. Locsin, Jr., Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA), requesting for the "extension of the moratorium until 30 June 2021 in the implementation of Part IV of the Guidelines, pending formulation of internal guidelines and the setup of the DFA's and SC's partnership to train DFA personnel for videoconferencing," and with the approval of Chief Justice Alexander G. Gesmundo, the suspension of the implementation of the Guidelines on the Conduct of Videoconferencing with respect to remote appearances from abroad is hereby extended until 30 June 2021.

For the guidance and compliance of all concerned.

5 May 2021


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Court Administrator