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Malacañang directs gov't, private sector to accept PhilID in transactions

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Malacañang released Executive Order (EO) No. 162, mandating all government offices and private establishments to accept the Philippine Identification (PhilID) card and PhilSys Number (PSN) as sufficient proof of identity and age in transactions.

Signed on 14 February 2022, Malacañang, through EO No. 162, directs all covered agencies to amend their respective citizen's charters, particularly their identification requirements, to integrate the Philippine Identification System (PhilSys) components and accommodate its features.

Private and public financial institutions, including banks and owners of digital payment applications, are also called to comply with the relevant issuances of the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) and other government regulatory agencies on the use of the PhilID and PSN.

Public and private entities are also enjoined to inform the public of the policies and guidelines on using the PhilID in their identification requirements.

"We, at the PSA, welcome this development, and anticipate that public and private institutions will act following the executive order to provide more convenient and efficient service through the PhilSys," said PSA Undersecretary Dennis S. Mapa, National Statistician and Civil Registrar General.

Before this EO, Malacañang ordered all government establishments to prepare to integrate PhilSys into their processes and services. Through Memorandum Circular No. 95, dated 07 February 2022, all government agencies and government-owned or controlled corporations (GOCCs), including departments, bureaus, offices, government financial institutions



(GFIs), chartered institutions, and state universities and colleges, are directed to identify services, processes, identification systems, and databases for PhilSys integration.

Moreover, the EO also covers the acceptance of PSN derivatives, when authenticated, for transactions. These derivatives, such as the PhilSys Card Number (PCN), are generated from the PSN by PhilSys when transacting with public and private institutions, referred to as relying parties, for authentication and/or seeding.

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