

# PNB Remittance Centers, Inc. joins the community in celebrating Philippine Independence Day

THE management and staff of PNB Remittance Centers, Inc. ("PNB RCI") join FilAm communities all over the US in celebrating the 111th Philippine Independence Day on June 12, 2009.

For nearly 2 decades, PNB RCI has operated on the principle of providing excellent service to FilAms in the areas of remittance, travel and cargo. Now, with the new PNB Automated Remittance Machine (ARM), remitting money back home to their loved ones has become much easier. At only \$3.98 fee per transaction, there is no reason to put off sending money back home. The PNB ARM makes sending money hassle-free, while at the same time staying true to PNB's promise of affordable, reliable and quick service. For further details on PNB ARM or how to apply for the PNB Global Filipino Card, please call 1800-PNB-8788.

PNB RCI began operations in 1991 in National City, San Diego County, California. It now oper-

ates a total of 38 branches and 3 extension offices coast to coast in the US mainland and Hawaii. PNB RCI's cutting edge lies in its bricks-and-mortars, face-to-face presence in the communities it serves, frequently serving as the unintended hub where many members of the communities meet, interact and compare notes. The centers, frequently located in areas with high FilAm foot traffic, function as a convenient one-stop-shop for remittance, cargo and travel services.

Behind PNB RCI's steady growth is a dedicated staff and a team of professional managers headed by PNB Remittance Centers Inc. President and CEO Rommel R. Garcia. Prior to this, Rommel has been in various executive capacities in management, trade finance and credit in other parts of the world. PNB Remittance Centers, Inc.'s senior management team includes Nelson Javier, SVP, Oscar Serafin, SVP, and Manuel Arnaldo, SVP. Antonio Madrid is the EVP & COO of PNB RCI's parent

company, PNB International Investments Corporation.

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# RP actor, host Edu Manzano joins LBC as celebrity endorser of its money remittance services

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA. – LBC Mundial Corporation (LBC USA) announced that popular Filipino actor and television game show host Edu Manzano has signed up as the company's celebrity endorser for its money remittance services.

Manzano, known in the Philippines as a quick-witted host of the daily television game show "Pilipinas Game KNB?," (GKNB) crossed over into the popular game show genre from his stint as a leading man and character actor in Philippine movies.

Viewers loved Manzano's funny hosting style spurring ABS-CBN to give him more hosting jobs. He is currently at the helm of two shows for the network. In addition to GKNB, Manzano also shares hosting responsibilities with his real-life lady love Pinky Webb for the network's morning show, "Umagang Kay Ganda."

In addition to his hosting jobs, Manzano is currently the chairman of the Philippines' anti-film piracy agency, the Optical Media Board (OMB) of the Office of the President. Through the OMB, Manzano was able to pursue his passion to stop child abuse and child pornography in the Philippines.

His stint at the OMB led to his efforts to create the Anti-Child Abuse and Pornography Foundation. To date, he has even donated a total of P400,000 to the cause.

LBC's decision to hire Manzano as its celebrity endorser this 2009 was encouraged by the positive response in the Philippines when he was hired as celebrity endorser of LBC Bank's ATM Bilis product last year.

"In the Philippines, he is already known as the Hari ng Padala," notes Patricia Garcia, marketing director of LBC USA.

LBC also has high regard for Manzano's



credibility as a government official, particularly for his efforts against child abuse and child pornography.

In time for the launch of LBC USA's new low prices and new Instant Peso Padala service, Manzano came on board and will grace all print and television advertisements of LBC USA.

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# PNB's 'Own a Philippine Home Loan Program' gains traction among Fil-Ams

CONSIDER the possibility. For roughly the price of a monthly car payment, you can own a home in the Philippines and have all that hard-earned money mean something to so many over the long term.

The great poet, Oliver Wendell Holmes said it best, when he wrote, "Where we love is home; home that our feet may leave, but not our hearts." We may have settled in comfortably in a different country, living the lives we have dreamt for ourselves and our families, but it does not mean we have no special place in our hearts for our homeland anymore. If anything, the feelings of yearning for home and the loved ones we left behind grow stronger everyday.

Philippine National Bank Los Angeles acknowledges this basic need among many Filipinos in the US. It is also aware that it is, perhaps, the only company uniquely positioned to fill that need. Their OPHL program, acronym for "Own A Philippine Home Loan Program" is tailor-made to serve those Filipinos in the US who dream of owning homes for their respective families or for themselves.

This program is open to all Filipinos and non-Filipinos residing and working in the US but have maintained their Filipino citizenship who are eyeing to purchase residential real estate in the Philippines. Natural-born Filipinos residing and working in the US who have lost their Filipino citizenship and US citizens and nationals of foreign countries who are non-Filipinos and are US residents can also avail of the program.

Those interested can acquire properties such as a lot, house and lot, condominiums, townhouses or rowhouses under

the "Own A Philippine Home Loan Program." The benefits do not end there. Construction of a house according to his/her specifications on a lot owned by the borrower or another person (usually a relative) who is willing to mortgage the lot in favor of PNB; additional work or improvements of an existing house owned by the borrower; and refinancing of a Philippine Peso home mortgage loan are the other loan purposes covered by the program—definitely sweet deals for FilAms who want the best for themselves and their families back home.

The loanable amount for purchase of a lot is up to 60 percent of the property's appraised value with a minimum loan of \$10,000; for purchase of a house and lot, condo unit or refinancing, 80 percent of property appraised value, with a minimum loan of \$20,000; and for house construction, 80 percent of validated construction cost, with a minimum loan of \$20,000. Maximum loan is \$500,000. Repayment terms and tenor vary from 10 years, 20 years and monthly loan payment in US dollars thru auto-pay arrangement (ACH).

At the helm of this worthwhile endeavor is Antonio Madrid who is General Manager & EVP of PNB Los Angeles Branch and Group Head for North America.

For complete details on how to apply, log on to [www.pnb.com.ph/losangeles](http://www.pnb.com.ph/losangeles) or drop by the PNB Los Angeles Branch office at 3345 Wilshire Blvd., Ste 200, LA, CA 90010. You may also contact (213) 410-1800, ext. 212 (Rowena Tabuzo) or e-mail [rstabuzo@pnbrci.com](mailto:rstabuzo@pnbrci.com); or ext. 204 (Bert San Agustin) or e-mail [asanagustin@pnblogsangeles.com](mailto:asanagustin@pnblogsangeles.com).

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# BDO signs remittance deal with Sigue Corporation

BDO Unibank Inc., the Philippines' top bank, has recently partnered with Sigue Corporation, a US-based remittance company, in an effort to further expand its presence in the United States. Sigue, which operates in 48 US states and territories, is known to have one of the largest and most dependable agent networks in the US.

To send money, Filipinos have the convenience of visiting any of Sigue's agent locations in the US. Remittances are made available in the Philippines in peso and US dollar by depositing in a BDO Kabayan Savings account. BDO opens these accounts with a minimum deposit of only PHP50 or US\$100. With BDO's over 3,000 cash pick up channels in the Philippines, non-BDO account holders may claim their Sigue remittances in peso and US dollar at any of BDO's more than 650 branches nationwide, or at any SM Forex Counter in SM Department Store, SM Hypermarket and Makro. Remittance pick up is also available in all SM Business Service Centers, and BDO's financial service and rural bank partners.

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