

GPA Global Privacy and Data Protection Awards 2024

Entry Form

To submit an entry to the GPA Global Privacy and Data Protection Awards please complete and email this form to secretariat@globalprivacyassembly.org no later than 17 June 2024.

Note: GPA member authorities can submit as many entries as they wish, but a separate form should be used for each different entry, submitted by the deadline above.

Languages: The GPA documentation Rule 6.2¹ applies.

1. CONTACT DETAILS FOR THIS ENTRY	
Privacy/Data Protection	
Authority:	NATIONAL PRIVACY COMMISSION
Person completing this form:	RAINIER ANTHONY MILANES
	First name Last name
Job title:	CHIEF, COMPLIANCE AND MONITORING DIVISION
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2. ELIGIBILITY	
By submitting this entry, I confirm that (please tick all boxes to confirm):	
☐ The initiative described in this entry was undertaken since January 2023.	
oximes I am aware that the information in the entry (other than the contact details in 1(a)	
above) will be publicised by the GPA Secretariat.	
3. CATEGORIES	
Please indicate which category you wish to enter.	
Please tick one; please use a separate form for each category you wish to enter:	
☐ Education and Public Awareness	
□ Accountability	
☐ Dispute Resolution and Enforcement	
☐ Innovation	

Without prejudice to section 4.2, Assembly documents, including accreditation and observer applications may be submitted in English or in another language. In the latter case, the documents shall be accompanied by an English version. Members with the ability and the resources to do so are encouraged to translate proposed resolutions and other Assembly documents such as the Assembly Rules and Procedures.

¹ GPA Rules and Procedures, Rule 6.2 'Assembly documents':

4. DESCRIPTION OF THE INITIATIVE

a. Please provide a brief summary of the initiative (no more than 75 words)

The National Privacy Commission Registration System ("NPCRS") is an online, registration platform, initiated to facilitate the simplified registration of the Personal Information Controller ("PIC"), Data Protection Officer and Data Processing System/s in accordance with privacy regulations. PICs covered by the mandatory registration requirement can register as well as amend details of their registration with ease. This initiative drives PIC accountability to generate a Seal of Registration for public display translating to increased trust of Data Subjects.

b. Please provide a full description of the initiative (no more than 350 words)

The National Privacy Commission ("Commission"), the Philippines' data privacy regulator, is the primary agency mandated to implement the provisions of the Data Privacy Act of 2012 ("DPA"). With the end-goal of cultivating a culture of privacy throughout the country and to implement the registration provision of the DPA the Commission issued NPC Circular No. 2022-04. Through this circular, the NPC mandates covered Personal Information Controllers to register its Data Processing System and its Data Protection Officer with the regulator.

The National Privacy Commission Registration System, was developed to answer the call to protect the rights and freedom of all data subjects. Through mandatory registration, the PICs demonstrate their commitment in data protection and data privacy. The mandatory display of the NPC Seal of Registration now achieves its purpose of increasing trust of data subjects to data processing activities of PICs.

PICs can simply generate their own Certificate of Registration and a Seal of Registration by creating an account, filling up the form, and submitting the requirements to the system. A PIC needs to populate specific items for information relating to its data processing system/s. Through this the data privacy regulator holds the PIC accountable for implementations of security measures as per submitted registration record.

The rationale behind the online system is to allow PICs and PIPs throughout the country to easily comply with the requirements of the DPA and Circular 22-04. Since all submissions are done online, PICs will be able to submit their application for registration and easily generate both their Seal of Registration and Certificate of Registration.

While providing convenience to PICs in complying with rules and regulations, the NPCRS also allows data subjects to exercise judgement in dealing with PICs and PIPs. Since display of the Seal of Registration is mandatory for covered PIC/s, all Data Subjects can therefore check before transacting with the PIC. Verification is Done through scanning of a QR code redirecting to an affirmative page under the domain privacy.gov.ph.

c. Please explain why you think the initiative deserves to be recognised by an award (no more than 200 words)

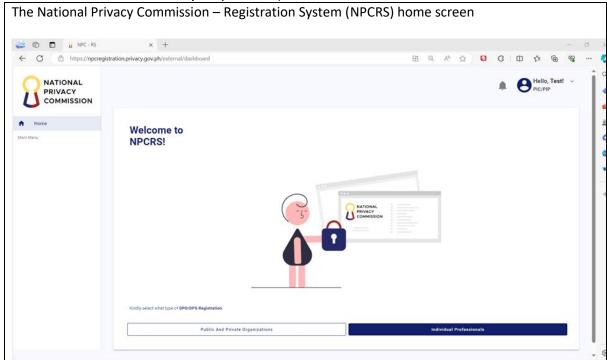
The National Privacy Commission Registration System implementing the Seal of Registration deserves to be recognized by an award as it emphasizes the inherent obligation of a Personal Information Controller (PIC) to keep personal data secure and protected. It enables for a stronger calling for accountability in the processing of sensitive personal information.

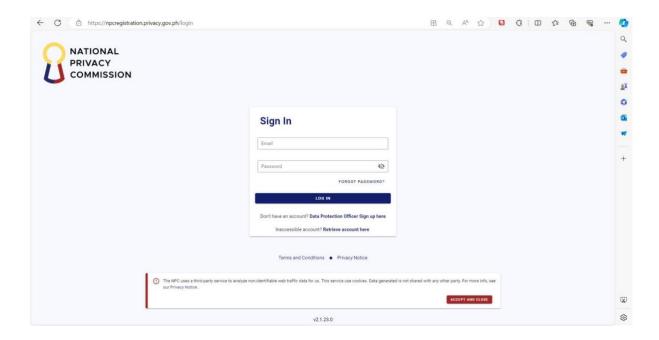
Obtaining the Seal of Registration would entail that the PIC has successfully registered with the Commission, registered its Data Processing System/s, and designated its Data Protection Officer. It showcases that the PIC has duly complied with the primary requirements of Commission to enable a more efficient compliance monitoring process and to uphold the exercise of data subject rights under the DPA.

Section 32 of the NPC Circular No. 2022-04, mandates the display of the Seal of Registration at the most conspicuous place to ensure visibility to all data subjects. A PIC is also required to display the Seal of Registration in its main website, or at least the webpage specifically pertaining to the Philippines for global websites.

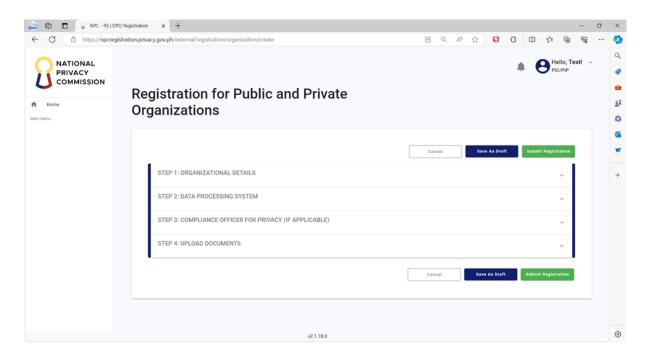
The NPCRS and Seal of Registration has increased awareness and understanding of the data privacy rights of data subjects and the role of PICs to promote and ensure accountability and transparency.

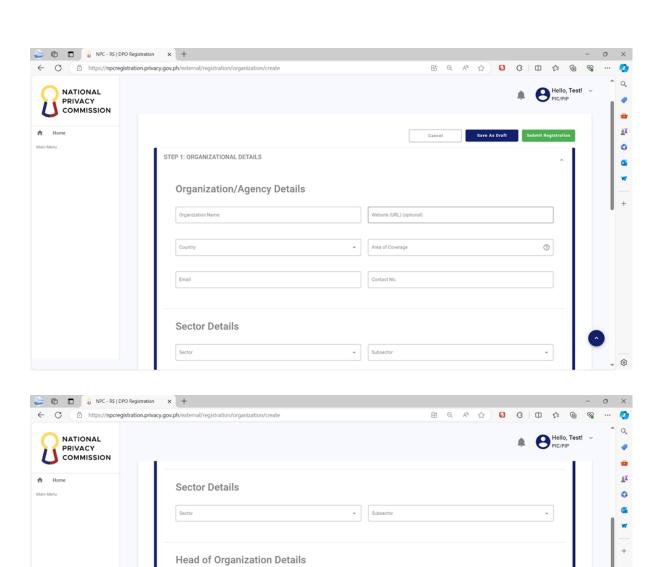
d. Please include a photograph or image, if you wish (*This will be published with your entry on the GPA website. The image can be pasted into the box below, be sent as an attachment or a link may be provided*)





NPCRS initial registration page





Middle Initial (optional)

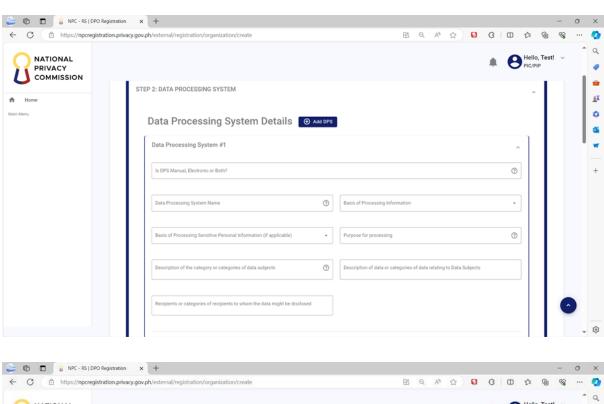
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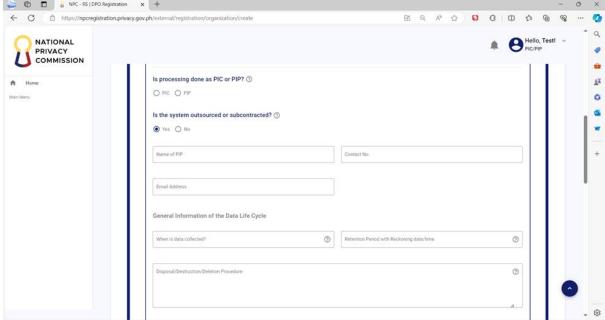
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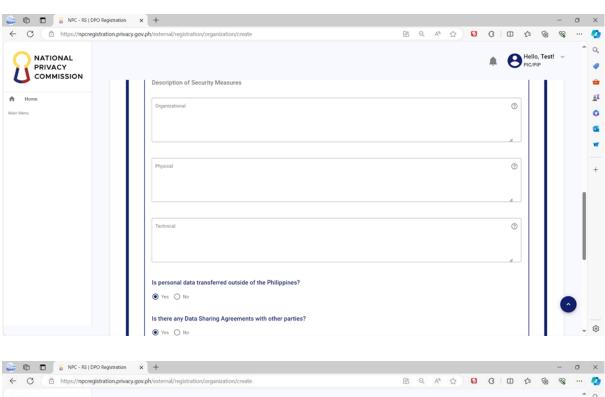
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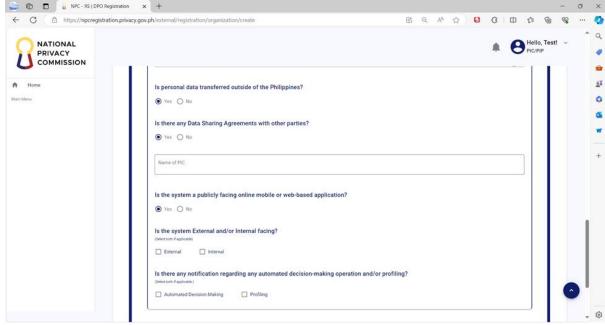
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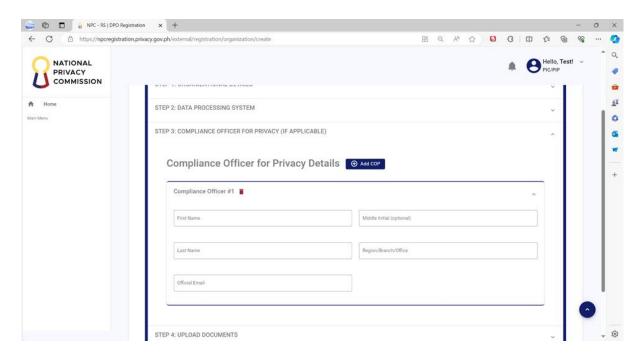
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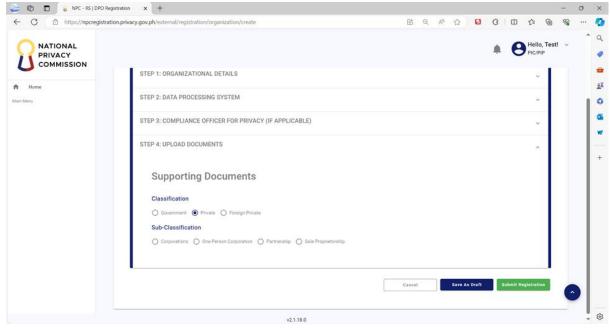


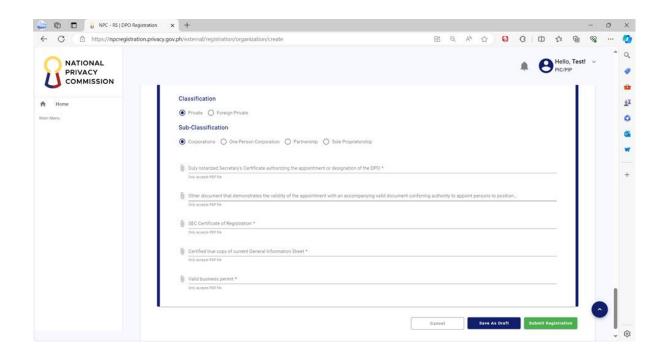




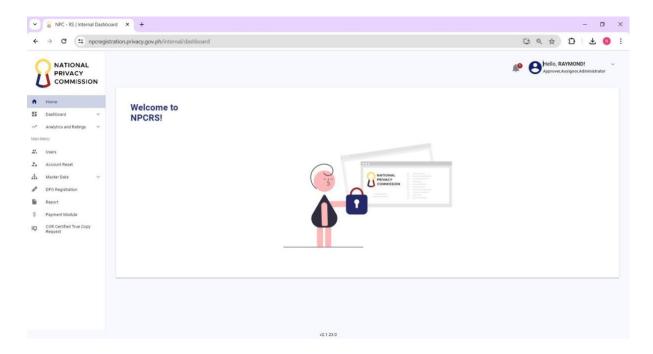


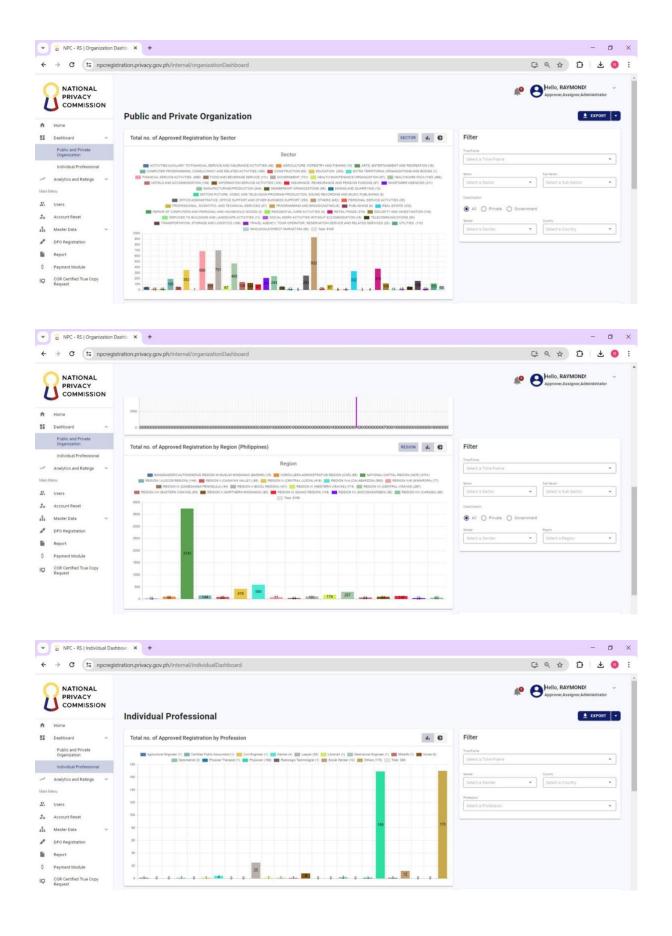


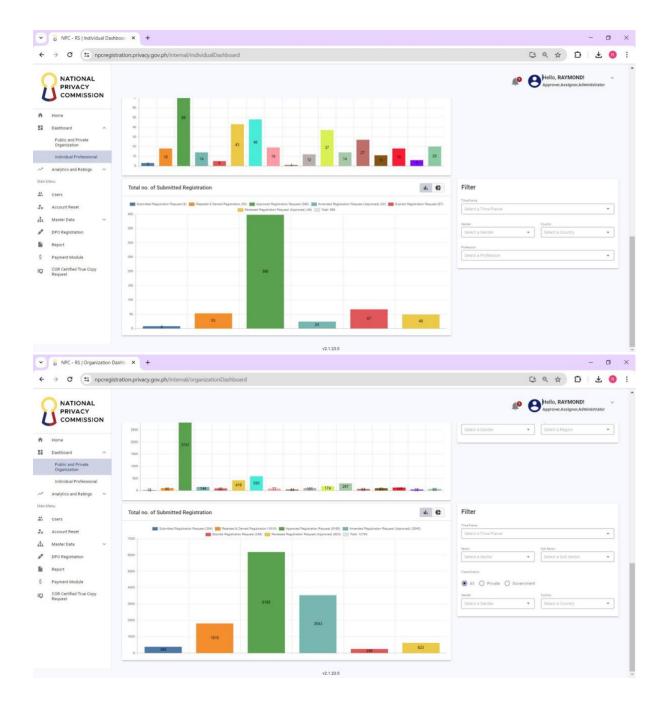




NPCRS Internal login

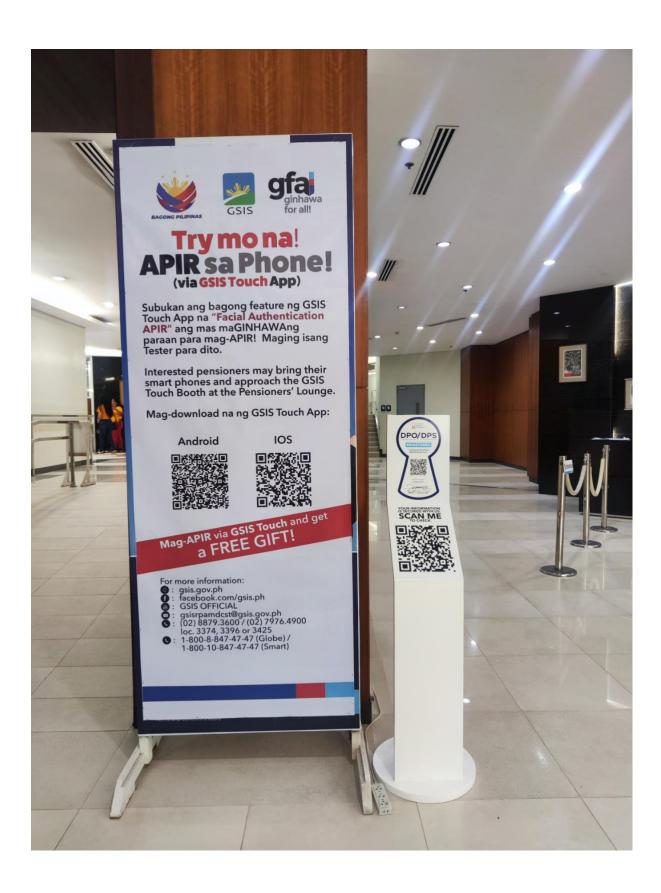




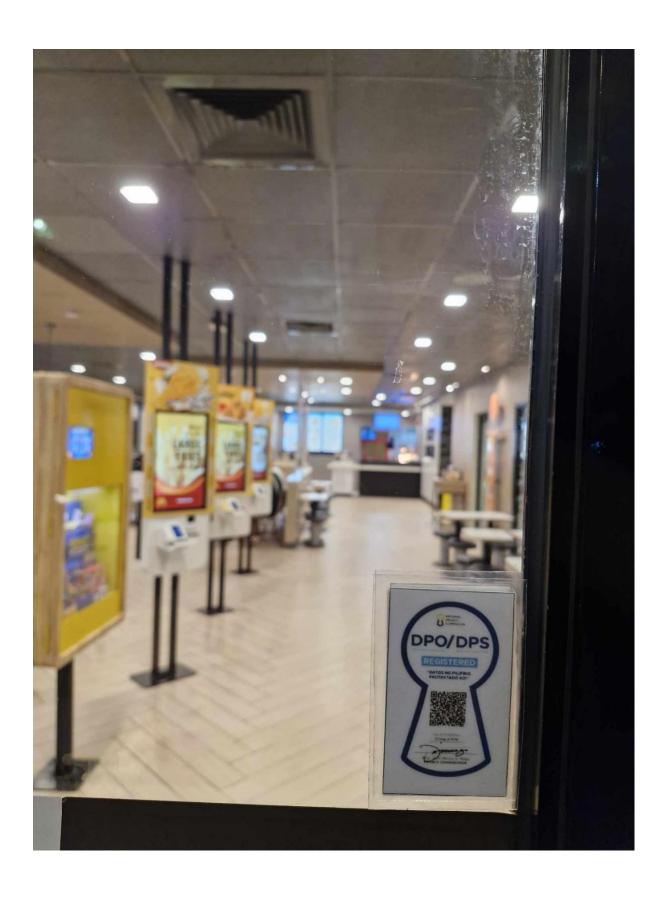


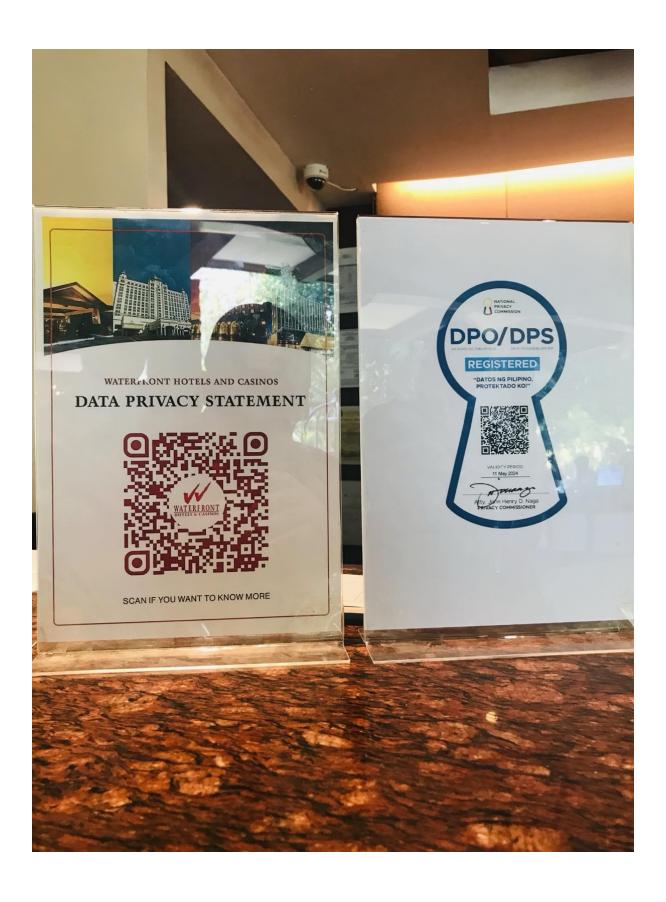
Actual display of the Seal of Registration in different establishments

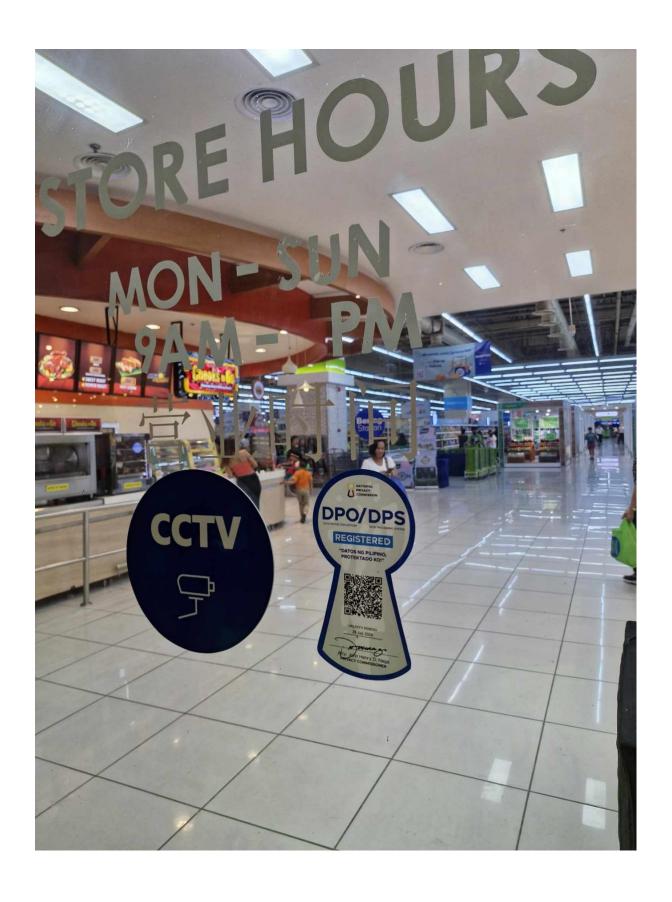


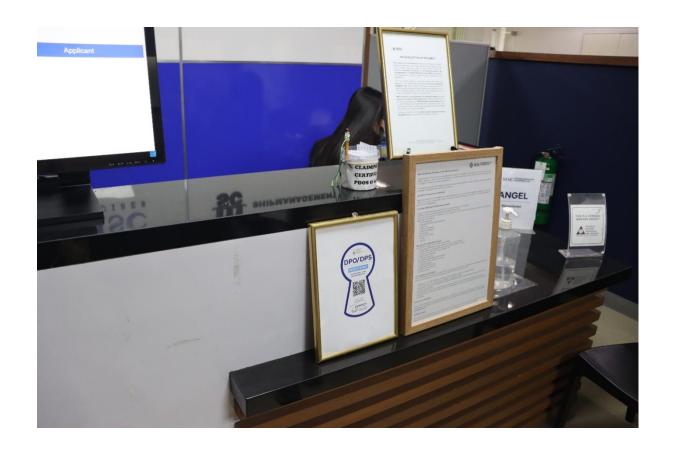


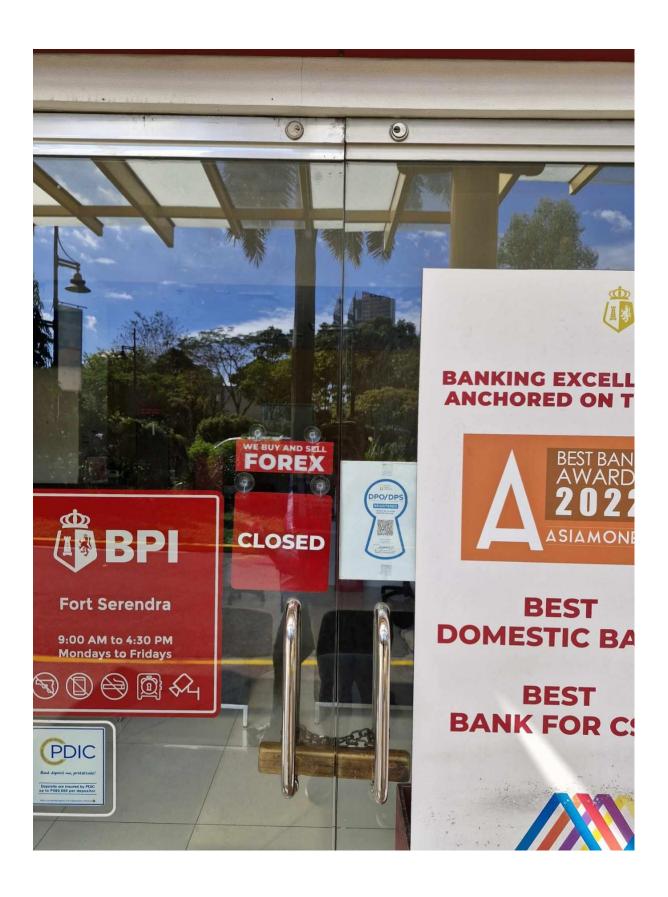








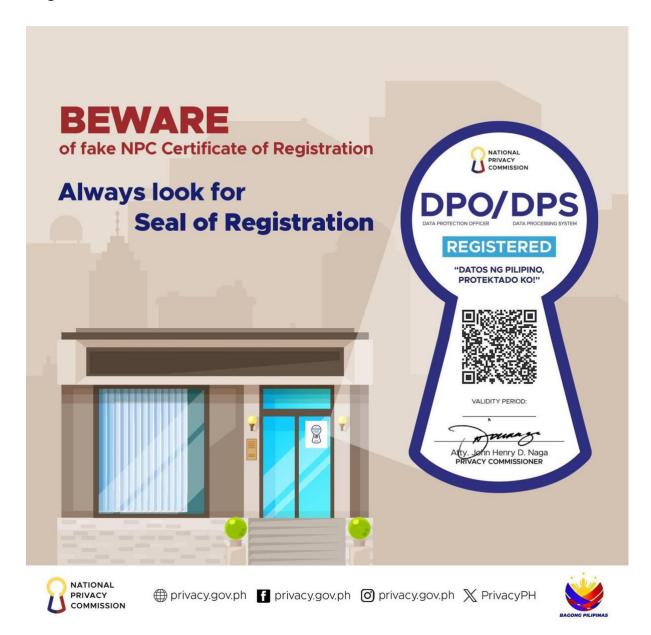




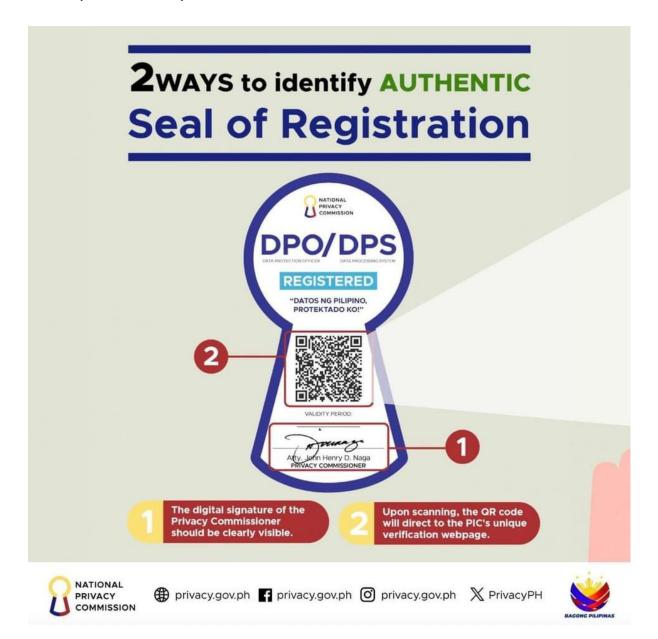




NPC warning against fake NPC Certificate of Registration and Seal of Registration



NPC Certificate of Registration and Seal of Registration and how to identify authenticity.



Privacy Commissioner John Henry D. Naga during the Privacy Awareness Week 2024





e. Please provide the most relevant link on the authority's website to the initiative, if applicable (The website content does not need to be in English)

https://npcregistration.privacy.gov.ph/

https://privacy.gov.ph/pips-and-pics/register/

https://privacy.gov.ph/npc-public-advisory-mandatory-display-of-the-npc-seal-of-registration/

f. Please provide any other relevant links that help explain the initiative or its impact or success (e.g. links to news reports or articles):

https://privacy.gov.ph/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/Circular-2022-04.pdf https://privacy.gov.ph/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/NPCRS-Demo.mp4 https://governance.neda.gov.ph/new-online-portal-to-ease-privacy-compliance-of-data-systems-npc/

https://www.pna.gov.ph/articles/1194366

https://tribune.net.ph/2024/03/19/manila-obtains-seal-of-registration-from-national-privacy-commission

https://business.inquirer.net/385257/online-registration-portal-for-data-processingsystem-launched

<u>https://www.dataquidance.com/news/philippines-npc-launches-online-registration-tool-data</u>

Google Search: "NPC Seal of Registration"