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The Philippine Embassy in Madrid wishes to provide the following update on the conditions in Spain with regard to the coronavirus (COVID-19):

The active confirmed cases in Spain as of March 10, 2020 is 1,245, with thirty-one (31) confirmed deaths, and thirty-two (32) confirmed recoveries.

Most of those with COVID-19 were reportedly in good or stable condition, and in certain cases are being provided treatment in their homes.

No Filipino has been reported as being under observation. The Embassy will be notified by the Spanish authorities if there are Filipinos among the confirmed cases.

The Philippine Embassy wishes to announce that starting Wednesday, March 11, the Consular Section and POLO Madrid will be operating from 10 AM to 3 PM, to reduce congestion within the Embassy premises and encourage consular applicants to avoid rush hour traffic and crowds.

The Philippine Embassy will consult with concerned Filipino organizations on whether it will still continue or suspend consular outreach missions to various cities in Spain as indicated for the calendar year 2020. The primary aim of this review is to ensure the health and well-being of the organizers, Embassy personnel, and the applicants.

Countries all over the world are issuing new travel restrictions and advisories. In this regard, the Filipino community is advised to set aside travel plans if they feel unwell or have developed respiratory symptoms. If you develop symptoms of acute respiratory infection, it is advised to stay at home, do not go to the hospital, and call 112 for medical service.

Filipinos are advised to be mindful of their health and strengthen their immune system, while taking practical hygiene measures and avoid contact with people with flu-like illnesses. Observe basic hygiene, such as washing hands with soap and water frequently, and covering your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing, preferably using disposable tissues.

More information on COVID-19 and cases in Spain may be found at <https://www.msrebs.gov.es/>

For other specific concerns of the Filipino community in Spain, please regularly check the Philippine Embassy website, the official Facebook account, and the e-Filipinas mobile app.