

PHILIPPINE EMBASSY IN MANAMA PARTICIPATED IN THE INTERNATIONAL EMBASSIES BAZAAR 2017



Consul Maria Paz G. Cortes (2nd from right) are joined by Atty. Emily Kristine C. Vilanueva-Descallar (1st from right) Ms. Josephine M. Tabangin (3rd from right), Cultural Officer Jeannie F. Petrola-Ocampo (4th from right), Ms. Rhaiza Sakaluran (5th from right), President of United Muslim Mindanaoans Association (UMMA), and Ms. Palma Bazan also of UMMA at the Philippine Booth of the International Bazaar.

04 May 2017 – The Philippine Embassy participated in the International Embassies Bazaar organized by the Children and Mothers Welfare Society under the patronage of Her Highness Sheikha Lulwa Al Khalifa, the daughter of His Royal Highness Prince Khalifa Bin Salman Al Khalifa of the Kingdom of Bahrain, and held at the main hall of the Children and Mothers Welfare Society, Isa Town, on 02 May 2017.

The Philippine stall featured various Philippine products including table runners and placemats made of abaca, fans, rattan bags, buntal bags made of straw obtained from leaves of the *talipot* palm, rattan tissue holders, cutlery cases, the famous dried mangoes from Cebu, banana chips from Bulacan, as well as homemade *puto*, *pitchi pitchi*, and cassava cake. Filipiniana dresses and barongs were also displayed at the booth of the Embassy.

The Embassy also promoted Philippine tourism by displaying roll-up banners of sceneries from the Philippines such as the Banawe rice terraces, the underground river of Palawan, as well as the Calle Crisologo of Vigan. Embassy representatives also gave out tourism brochures provided by the Department of Tourism (DOT).

A total of 28 embassies took part in the bazaar. Sheikha Lulwa Al Khalifa inaugurated the annual charity event together with society President Shaikha Hind Bint Salman Al Khalifa. END.

PHILIPPINE EMBASSY IN MANAMA PARTICIPATED IN THE FIRST INTERNATIONAL EMBASSIES FASHION SHOW



From left: Cultural Officer Jeannie Petrola-Ocampo, Ms. Rhaiza A. Sakaluran, and Ms. Josephine M. Tabangin represented the Embassy models.

07 May 2017 – The Philippine Embassy participated in the International Embassies Fashion Show organized by the Children and Mothers Welfare Society under the patronage of Her Highness Sheikha Lulwa, the daughter of His Royal Highness Prince Khalifa Bin Salman Al Khalifa of the Kingdom of Bahrain. The event was held at the main hall of the Children and Mothers Welfare Society, Isa Town, on 04 May 2017.

The three models showcased two kinds of traditional dresses, the Batawi and the Terno, modelled by Ms. Rhaiza A. Sakaluran, Ms. Josephine Tabangin and Ms. Jeannie Petrola-Ocampo.

Ms. Rhaiza Abdul Sakaluran, who is a Muslim Tausug from Zamboanga, wore a silk *batawi* and velvet *sawal*. Her *batawi* is embellished with gold *dublun* while Ms. Josephine Tabangin, wore a two-piece, floral-embroidered Terno made of pure pineapple fiber, sown over a green silk lining and Ms. Jeannie Petrola-Ocampo, wore a gray, beaded, two-piece Terno, made of piña silk cocoon.

The event was participated by more than 21 embassies which showcased their respective traditional dress. These include the embassies of Kuwait, Palestine,

Morocco, Iraq, Turkey, Tunisia, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Sultanate of Oman, Bangladesh, United Arab Emirates, Russian Federation, India, Philippines, Sudan, Pakistan, Thailand, Brunei, Qatar, Indonesia, and Bosnia. The host country, Bahrain, also participated showcasing their traditional bridal dress. END.



Ms. Rhaiza A. Sakaluran wearing a silk batawi and velvet sawal.



Ms. Josephine Tabangin wearing a green terno made of pineapple fiber.



Ms. Jeannie F. Petrola-Ocampo wearing a gray beaded terno made of piña cocoon.



Ms. Rhaiza A. Sakaluran, Ms. Josephine M. Tabangin and Ms. Jeannie F. Petrola-Ocampo posed with their respective dress at the ramp.



Philippine models pose with the other models from the Embassies of Thailand and India before the show started.



Sheikha Hind Bint Salman Al Khalifa (3rd from left), President of Children and Mothers Welfare Society, joined by Consul Maria Paz G. Cortes (4th from left), Ms. Josephine M. Tabangin (5th from left), Ms. Emily Kristine C. Villanueva-Descallar (1st from right), Ms. Jeannie F. Petrola-Ocampo (1st from left), and Ms. Rhaiza A. Sakaluran (2nd from left), after the fashion show.