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Preface

In 1991, a group of researchers from various academic and social services institutions in Hong Kong and the Philippines embarked on a project (the "Project") designed to study and understand the "situation" of foreign domestic helpers ("FDHs") -- mostly from the Philippines -- in Hong Kong. There was a need for such a study because of problems associated with the swelling number of Filipina FDHs coming to Hong Kong, the circumstances surrounding their coming here, and the conditions of their stays here.

In Hong Kong in 1991, there were approximately 80,000 FDHs, which was a great deal more than five years earlier. And, by 1996, the number had grown to more than 150,000 here. More than 95% of the FDHs in Hong Kong during these years have been Filipinas, with the remaining hailing from neighboring countries such as Thailand, Indonesia, India, and Sri Lanka.

FDHs, in particular Filipina FDHs in Hong Kong, have traditionally experienced wide-ranging, recurring difficulties in many aspects of their personal and professional lives. These difficulties include: coping with economic and other forces that prompted them to leave their country to move to Hong Kong to work as servants (even though many of them were educated professionals -- such as nurses or teachers back home); psychological and sociological adjustment problems in Hong Kong; oral and physical abuse by Hong Kong employers; inhumane working conditions; underpayment or nonpayment of wages; sexual abuse; breaches of contractual terms; absence of days off; and extra duties assigned outside the home.

The Project examined these and many other aspects of the lives of FDHs, their employers, and other members of society in the host and sending countries. Overall objectives of the Project included: (1) to gain a better understanding of various aspects of the plight of migrant workers in Hong Kong, in particular Filipina domestic helpers; (2) to formulate recommendations for improving the conditions of FDHs in Hong Kong; and (3) to identify related issues and concerns for further research and study. The fourth major objective -- documentation -- is described below.

Among the specific topics studied by the researchers were: the application of international legal standards to the FDH in Hong Kong and elsewhere; the efficacy of the Hong Kong Labour Tribunal in handling FDH employer/employee disputes; social relationships and hierarchies that govern the lives of FDHs; FDH organisations
in general in Hong Kong, with scrutiny of the development and the community impact of particular organisations; adjustment problems and the social lives of FDHs; and, contractual terms of employment of FDHs.

Finally, an overall objective of the project was to provide a comprehensive and accessible documentation of the situation of FDHs in Hong Kong. This Survey of Literature & Annotated Bibliography, in conjunction with a compilation of unpublished documents maintained in a repository at the University of Hong Kong Library, provides such documentation.

The Survey of Literature & Annotated Bibliography reflects the identification, inventory, collection and analysis of published and unpublished documents and other sources of information relevant to FDHs in Hong Kong. Materials cited in the Survey of Literature & Annotated Bibliography are intended to be used by researchers, practitioners, current and former foreign domestic helpers, and overseas contract workers who desire information for academic, practical or legal purposes. A goal is to facilitate and stimulate the research, writing, and practical work of academicians, students, human rights workers, activists, and others interested in foreign domestic helpers or migrant workers in general.

In collecting materials in the Survey of Literature & Annotated Bibliography, I canvassed individuals and entities in Hong Kong, and in other Asian countries. During the Project, I visited and gathered information and documentation from human rights organisations, Embassies and Consulates, domestic helper organisations, churches, University professors and librarians, other academics, and government offices in the Region. My research took me to Japan, Malaysia, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Australia, Thailand, Taiwan, the Philippines, and the Federated States of Micronesia.

My goal was to compile a comprehensive list of resources and make the list available to anyone interested in foreign domestic helpers, with an eye towards creating a repository for unpublished (and published, but difficult to locate) documents. Many of the documents identified in the Survey of Literature & Annotated Bibliography can be found in the Special Collection at the University of Hong Kong Main Library.

The *Survey of Literature & Annotated Bibliography* is organised chronologically, in sections determined by theme, source or type. Documents with an asterisk will be housed in the University of Hong Kong Special Collection. Full versions of many of the items listed in the *Newspaper and News Service* can be found on LEXIS/NEXIS.

I include parenthetical information in the entries to help identify the source or location of some documents. I annotate documents primarily when the nature of the documents’ caption or title does not clearly indicate the contents of the document.

Comments, corrections or suggestions for documents to add are welcome.

We hope to upload the *Survey of Literature & Annotated Bibliography* onto the World Wide Web (Internet) soon. It is expected to be located at the Internet site for Law-On-Line! of the Centre for Comparative and Public Law of the University of Hong Kong Faculty of Law. The Internet address is: http://www.hku.hk/law/law.html.

I would like to thank all of the academic, institutional and individual participants in the Project. And, I would like to thank Andrew Byrnes, Ian Heffernan, the Mission for Migrant Workers, LEXIS/NEXIS, all of the human rights and domestic helper organisations around Asia who assisted, and all of the other entities (including various governments) and individuals who helped provide information for the Project and without whose assistance this *Survey of Literature & Annotated Bibliography* could not have been prepared. Furthermore, I acknowledge and thank the Hong Kong Research Grants Council for its support.

Finally, a special tribute should be made to all Foreign Domestic Helpers -- in particular those from the Philippines in Hong Kong -- who are the real heroes. It is to them and the families they left behind in the Philippines that this work is dedicated, and that this work is intended ultimately to serve.

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(Among UNIFIL-HK's objectives are to provide information, education and socio-cultural services to properly address issues and problems affecting Overseas Filipinos; to promote the socio-economic and cultural development of the members of the various organizations that are part of the Alliance; and, to uplift the dignity of the Filipino people, and defend the sovereignty of the Philippines by promoting a sense of nationalism among overseas Filipinos.)*

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FILIPINA ORGANISATIONS IN HONG KONG THAT ARE AFFILIATED WITH UNIFIL -- THE UNITED FILIPINOS IN HONG KONG/MIGRANTE:

1. Alay Kapwa Catholic Group is a church-based organization and was established in May 1981 in Wah Yan College. Its aims are to: 1) assist in masses as a choir group; 2) raise funds for the underprivileged in the Philippines; and 3) coordinate different activities of the Alliance.

2. Association of Concerned Filipinos (ACFIL) is a non-profit and non-stock organization established in 1984. This was organized in response to the pressing needs of the increasing number of Filipino migrant workers in Hong Kong as they continue to experience various socio-economic, cultural, emotional and work-related problems. The association's activities are: 1) fund raising; 2) education/information; 3) campaign; 4) welfare; and 5) coordinating different activities of the Alliance.

3. Anac Ti Batac is a regionalized and non-profit organization. Members come from Batac in Luzon. Their activities include socialization, fund raising and coordinates in the different activities of the Alliance.

4. Baguio City Association (BCA) is a non-stock and non-profit organization established in March 1990 aimed to: 1) promote unity and understanding among members; 2) coordinate with other Filipino migrant organizations; 3) create socio-economic projects for the benefit of the members and Baguio community; and 4) raise funds for civic and social welfare contributions. It also coordinates in the different activities of the Alliance.

5. Balilli-Alab Women Association (BAWD) is a non-stock and non-profit organization aimed at raising funds, socialization and assisting members with problems, and coordinates in the different activities of the Alliance.

6. Bahay Natin-Yuen Long (BNYL) is a non-profit and non-stock organization

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and is also a church-based organization. It is located at the back of Saint Peter/Paul Church, Yuen Long, New Territories under the supervision of the parish priest and sisters. It provides shelter and counselling to displaced Filipinos.

7. **Bahay Natin - Sai Kung (BNSK)** is a non-profit and non-stock organization located in Pak Sha Wan Rd., Sai Kung, New Territories. It was established in 1983 through the effort of St. Mary Nubia and the Diocesan Fathers of St. Peter's and St. Paul's churches. It provides shelter to displaced Filipinos. It also aims to preserve the cultural heritage of Filipinos; raise funds to help the underprivileged Filipinos.

8. **Cabalianon Overseas Association in Hong Kong (COAH)** is a non-profit organization established in 14 July 1991. Its aims are: to promote unity and mutual understanding for the welfare and benefit of its members, to put projects in their native province, to keep up the dignity of a true Filipino and to raise funds to support.

9. **Cordillera Consultative Council (CCC)** is a non-profit organization of the indigenous people in the Cordillera region of the Philippines.

10. **Claveria Hong Kong Overseas Workers Association (CHOCWA)** is a non-profit organization whose members come from Claveria, Cagayan, North of the Philippines. Its activities are: 1) socialization; 2) fund raising; 3) credit cooperative; 4) extension of financial support to members who are terminated; and 5) coordination in different activities of the Alliance.

11. **Dingleanon Circle** is a non-profit organization established 18 February 1980. Members come from Dingle, Iloilo, western Philippines. Its objectives are: 1) to promote love, unity and mutual understanding among Dingleans in Hong Kong; 2) to maintain Filipino moral values; 3) to relate and coordinate with other Filipino organizations towards better services for social, economic and cultural upliftment; 5) to work for mutual aid and benefit to members and immediate beneficiaries; 6) to finance tangible projects in Dingle; and 7) to assist members who encounter labor problems.

12. **Filipino Prayer, Share and Care Group (FPSC)** is a church-based organization of the Church of All Nations, 8 South Bay Close, Repulse Bay, Hong Kong. Members come from different regions in the Philippines and from different church affiliations. Its main activities include bible study, fellowship, visits to welfare institutions supported by the church, education seminars, and skills training such as computer lesson among others.

13. **Friends of Bethune House (FBH)** is a non-profit organization established 14 February 1992, composed of previous and on-going clients of the refuge
center. They actively participate in the different activities of the Alliance, such as education/information seminars, campaigns/petition signing and cultural shows.

14. **Inopacan Hongkong Association (IHA)** is a non-profit organization whose members come from Inopacan, Leyte in the Visayas island. Its activities include: socialization, fund raising and coordination in the different activities of the Alliance.

15. **Justice and Peace -- Evangelization Family** is a church-based organization of Saint Mary’s Church whose members come from different regions in the Philippines. Its activities include: fellowship, education seminars, bible study and evangelization and coordination in different activities of the Alliance.

16. **Janinaynon Circle** is a non-profit organization whose members come from Janinay, Iloilo in Panay Island of the Visayas. Their activities include fund raising, socialization, credit cooperative, welfare services to terminated members and coordination in different activities of the Alliance.

17. **Maharlika Association (MAHK)** is a non-profit organization which was founded on 4 December 1980. It aims to donate to charitable institutions in the Philippines; assist to members who encounter labor problems; and to help members engage in socio-economic projects that will benefit its members.

18. **Filipino Methodist Church** is a non-profit organization and a religious group which was established in 1984. Its aims are: 1) to enhance and nourish their spiritual lives through bible studies, masses and outreach; 2) to provide loan assistance as welfare program to the members at 2.5 % interest per month, and the interest goes to the Scholarship Fund for their Outreach Program. They joined the Alliance with the belief that if they unite with other organizations, they can fight for their rights and well-being of the Filipino migrant workers in Hong Kong.

19. **Pangasinan Saranay Association** is a non-profit organization whose members come from Pangasinan of Luzon Region. Their activities include socialization and fund raising.

20. **Pearl of the Orient** is a non-profit organization which was established in March 1988 aimed to raise funds for charity.

21. **Philippine Independent Church (PIC) Choir** is a group of Filipinos whose activities and involvements include: 1) Church choir; 2) bible study; 3) active participation in the different activities of the Alliance especially on education seminars, campaigns/rallies and major celebrations.
22. **Pototan Circle** is a non-profit organization whose members come from Pototan, Iloilo. It is primarily aimed at developing unity among its members.

23. **Pozorrubians Association** is a non-profit organization whose members come from Pozorrubio of the Ilocos region. Their activities include socialization, fund raising, and coordination in the different activities of the Alliance.

24. **Ward Methodist Filipino Fellowship** is a church-based organization. Its membership come from different regions in the Philippines. Their activities include bible study, masses, education seminars and coordination in the different activities of the Alliance.

25. **Women of the Philippine Independent Church (WOPIC)** is a church-based organization located in Saint John's Cathedral, Garden Road, Central. Its activities include: 1) bible study; 2) socialization; 3) education seminars; 4) coordination in the different activities of the Alliance.
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