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Re: Recovery of US Passport and SRRV documents

Dear Sir/Madam:

Good day!

On behalf of my family, I would like to extend our gratitude to your office for the recovery of these important personal papers of **Samuel West Stewart**. The kindness of your staff has helped me a great deal as duplication of documentation takes time and expense.

I understand that your staff, MS. LALA YASON of the Servicing Division, received a call from a Good Samaritan, Mr. Rey Atanoso, who recovered the documents from a street in Ortigas Center near my home. We appreciate very much her kindness in facilitating this transaction and wish to convey also our thanks to **Mr. Atanoso** of the **53 Burger** for his kindness in his recovery of the documents.

One of the reasons my family and I choose to live in the Philippines is that the people are warm, kind and reliable. We are happy to make our home here among such people.

Please convey our thanks to Mr. Atanoso for his kindness and the extra work it took to deliver these personal papers to PRA.

Warmest Regards,

Samuel West Stewart
American SRRV Holder



Rey Atanoso
The Good Samaritan from 53 Burger



Samuel West Stewart
SRRV Holder

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Pagasa replaces names of 3 destructive typhoons

By HELEN FLORES

The Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (PAGASA) has released new tropical cyclone names that will replace Santi, Labuyo and Yolanda, the three destructive cyclones that hit the country last year.

Salome, Lannie and Yasmin will replace the names Santi, Labuyo and Yolanda, respectively, PAGASA weather division chief Robert Sawi said.

PAGASA has decommissioned the names due to their huge damage on infrastructure and agriculture and number of lives lost.

Santi slammed Northern Luzon in October, leaving damage to property amounting to P3.287 billion and 15 deaths.

Labuyo also pummeled Northern Luzon in August last year, leaving P1.4-billion damage to properties.

Yolanda, considered as the world's strongest cyclone in 2013, left more than 6,000 people dead and P36.69-billion

damage to agriculture and infrastructure.

PAGASA deputy administrator Flaviana Hilario said a local typhoon name is decommissioned if losses amount to over P1 billion.

PAGASA said the decommissioning of destructive storms has been practiced since February 1979.

PAGASA early this year released the list of names of tropical cyclones for 2014.

Two cyclones - Agaton and Basyang - have entered the country so far this year.

The other codenames that will be used this year are Caloy, Domeng, Ester, Florita, Glenda, Henry, Inday, Juan, Katring, Luis, Mario, Neneng, Ompong, Paeng, Queenie, Ruby, Seniang, Tomas, Usman, Venus, Waldo, Yayang and Zeny.

Following its "Name-a-Bagyo Contest" in 1999, the agency came out with four sets of 25 names with 10 auxiliary or "reserve" names.

The auxiliary list is used in the event that the number of tropical cyclones within the year exceeds 25.



Pakistani Ambassador Safdar Hayat turns over a check amounting to \$1 million to Foreign Affairs Secretary Albert del Rosario as Pakistan's contribution to the ongoing relief and reconstruction efforts in Yolanda-devastated areas in the Visayas. The ceremony was held at the Department of Foreign Affairs office in Manila recently.

New parents Jolina and Mark Escueta's precious gift to son Pele



Celebrity parents Jolina and Mark Escueta's pride and joy pose for his first close-up. Photo credit to Mark Escueta.

For celebrity parents Jolina and Mark Escueta, having a baby introduced them to a whole new world of parenthood. The former Ang TV star and now a proud mom, Jolina Magdangal-Escueta shared, "While I was excited to see him face to face, I was experiencing separation anxiety on my 40th week." The overwhelmed mom explained, "Mark and I wanted to make sure that we can continue to keep him safe once he's out of my womb. We also wanted to have more medical options readily available in case the diseases that impacted our families, like cancer and diabetes strikes. We got our

assuring answer from Cordlife - our steadfast partner in keeping our baby's stem cells."

With baby Pele's stem cells collected right after birth, his name which means miracle when translated from Hebrew, came to reality. Rivermaya band founder and now a doting dad, Mark Escueta said, "There is nothing like experiencing fatherhood for the first time. I felt blessed, but also nervous and protective of Jolina and our baby. I was worried about my son contracting a disease that we cannot fight. Cordlife was there to open our eyes on how storing his umbilical cord blood and

cord lining is a life-saving decision for our family."

The Escuetas shared that they first heard about the importance of saving their baby's stem cells from Dr. Madeline V. Florendo, their OB-GYN. As an OB-GYN, she understood the fear of our expectant parents and wanted to help ease their worries.

The couple recounted that making the decision to bank with Cordlife felt very natural for them, knowing that Pele's stem cells were collected, processed and stored by the biggest network of cord blood banks in Southeast Asia. They added, "We knew that Cordlife meant

serious business when they said that they'll partner with us in ensuring the safety of Pele's stem cells, through Cordlife Care360°. Nothing else could've put us at ease by ensuring a part of Pele is safe from transport all the way to transplantation, should the need arise."

Just like Jolina Magdangal-Escueta and Mark Escueta, your family can benefit from Cordlife

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The showbiz couple welcomes their newborn in their first family photo. Photo credit to Mark Escueta.



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References:

1. Conditions apply.

2. As of December 2012, based on consolidated figures of Cordlife Group Limited and its associates.



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