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To: XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
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Subject: Re: Request for Police Record

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Dear Mr Scott,

As requested, via email dated 31/01/2011, I am attaching a reply rearding the change on the Government Policy.

Due to a policy change by the Ministry, the Singapore Police Force has ceased issuing the COC to non-Singapore Citizens including PRs with effect from 18 Oct 2010. You may wish to visit our website at www.spf.gov.sg/epc/cert_issued.htm and click 'Notification' for more information.

Applicants who do not qualify for a COC, may consider an alternative of applying for a Statutory Declaration through the Commissioner of Oath or qualified legal practitioner or lawyer to declare that they do not have criminal record during the period of their staying in Singapore. However, please note that this is subjected to the acceptance by the requesting authority.

We recognise that a small number of foreigners will still need the COC (which had since been renamed as Certificate of Clearance (COC)) in order to secure their employment or school placement in some countries or organisations that do not accept Statutory Declarations. Hence, while our policy remains unchanged, we will consider granting COCs to those who are in genuine need of a COC upon appeal and on an exceptional, case by case basis. When submitting an appeal, a non-SC must show documentary proof that a COC is needed by a Government Authorities (for example, an embassy) for them to be granted the necessary access or approval (employment, school placement, etc), and that the requesting authority does not accept a Statutory Declaration.

Please contact the COC/Records Office at 6557-3985, or email: SPF_CID_COC@spf.gov.sg if you require further clarification on this matter.

Sincerely,

Ms Kumary
for Head Criminal Records
Criminal Investigation Department
COC Office

To: SPF CID COC/SPF/SINGOV@SINGOV
From: Scott XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Date: 31 Jan, 2011 02:23 PM
Subject: Request for Police Record

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am an American citizen, residing in the USA and currently have an immigration visa application for my fiancée to come to the USA for marriage.

My fiancée is a citizen of the Philippines, who worked and resided in Singapore for 9 years and who permanently returned to the Philippines in June 2010. We are required to submit a police record for her from the Singapore authorities in order to complete her visa application.

I recently spoke, via the telephone, to someone at the Police Cantonment Complex who informed me that Singapore no longer provides police records for noncitizens.

Therefore, would you please be so kind as to email me either an application, with instructions and fees, to obtain a noncitizens police record or an official letter stating that you no longer provide this type of document for noncitizens, if this is the current rule.

Thank you for your kind response,
Sincerely,

J. Scott XXXXXXXXXXXXX