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Consul General Cristobal Meets With NYC Commissioner for International Affairs



Consul General Claro S. Cristobal (R) with Commissioner Penny Abeywardena during their meeting in Manhattan.

NEW YORK, 3 August 2018 - Consul General Claro S. Cristobal met with Ms. Penny Abeywardena, New York City Commissioner for International Affairs, at her Manhattan office on 30 July 2018.

The office of the Commissioner for International Affairs provides services and information to the diplomatic and consular corps including consular notification and emergency response, delegation visits, diplomatic and consular parking program, and economic development and international business.

During the meeting, Consul General Cristobal discussed the priorities of the Consulate General, including the promotion of the Philippines as investment destination for businesses based in New York and other states under Post's jurisdiction. Commissioner Abeywardena assured the support of her office to Philippine business and official delegations visiting New York.

The Consul General and the Commissioner discussed the different programs of NYC for the diplomatic and consular community based in the city like the Connecting Local to Global (CL2G) which provides opportunities for diplomats to learn about the work of NYC agencies and institutions. They likewise discussed possible areas of collaboration between the Consulate and NYC.

New York is home to the largest diplomatic community in the world-193 Permanent Missions to the UN, 114 Consulates, and the headquarters of the UN.- end