

CFO Delegation calls on Vancouver PCG Consul General

21 May 2018 – Executive Director Pimentel-Naik of the Commission on Filipinos Overseas (CFO) called on Consul General Neil Frank R. Ferrer on 18 May 2018 at the Philippine Consulate General. She was joined by members of the CFO delegation, namely, Ms. Ivy Miravalles, Mr. Frenzel Tingga and Ms. Mayumi Kaye Peralta. She briefed Consul General Ferrer on the arrangements and schedules for the *Ugnayan sa Canada* Vancouver leg and the latest roster of CFO programs and services.

Consul General Ferrer welcomed the holding of *Ugnayan sa Canada*, following the *Bayanihan* event in 2012, especially at this time when Filipino immigrants are already the third-largest Asian Canadian group in Canada, after the South Asian and Chinese communities. Consul General Ferrer also informed CFO that most Filipinos in Vancouver contribute significantly to the city's economy, with Filipinos employed in the health/allied medical profession and finance industry, food service, manufacturing, and real estate.



Left Photo: CFO Executive Director Astravel Pimentel-Naik hands over to Consul General Neil Frank R. Ferrer the second edition of Virtual Sentro Rizal materials and the book, *The Quest for a Federal Republic*, during the CFO delegation's courtesy call on 18 May 2018. Right Photo: Consul General Neil Frank R. Ferrer and CFO Executive Director Pimentel-Naik are joined by CFO staff and PCG personnel during the courtesy call. (Photocredits: Vancouver PCG)