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Embark on a Culinary Voyage MIHCA Mandaluyong: Redux

Manila, June 21 – Magsaysay Center for Hospitality and Culinary Arts (MIHCA), in partnership with Princess Cruises, launched its Masterclass Hospitality and Culinary Programs and premiered the latest kitchen and housekeeping equipment which showcases cutting-edge technology found only in world-class cruise ships – among the first in the country. The event aimed to move MIHCA a step closer to its vision of becoming a leading global hospitality and culinary Center of Excellence which will help shape the skills of young Filipinos who will be embarking on their hospitality and culinary careers.

MIHCA Mandaluyong is now the proud home of the most advanced models of top kitchen and housekeeping brands used by premier cruise lines globally. These kitchen brands include *Lainox, Moretti Forni, Merrychef Eikon, Convotherm, Garland, Karcher, La Monferrina, La Minerva, Omega Foodtech*, and *Cleaveland*. Each piece has been engineered to function flawlessly in the dynamic environment of a ship's galley, ensuring that every meal prepared is of the highest quality. MIHCA, through its partner, Princess Cruises, acquired the latest kitchen equipment earlier this year. MAGSAYSAY has been the official recruitment partner of Princess Cruises since 1987 for its cruise ships' hospitality and technical departments.

MIHCA is keen on unlocking the greatness of its students and trainees, and in order to achieve this, the school invested not only in cutting-edge technology but also in the skill and dedication of culinary and hospitality professionals. "MIHCA's comprehensive Masterclasses and training sessions offer an exceptional opportunity to learn the latest culinary and housekeeping techniques, understand the nuances of operating advanced equipment, and develop the adaptability needed to thrive," shared Chef Paolo Guevara, MIHCA President, in his welcome message.

Themed *Embark on a Culinary Voyage – MIHCA Mandaluyong: Redux*, the launch marked a significant milestone in MIHCA's journey toward culinary excellence and innovation. The event was graced by Magsaysay Group President and CEO Doris Ho, Magsaysay People Resources Corporation President Marlon Roño, Princess Cruises Corporate Director Filippo Bertuzzi, as well as Chief of Staff Charisse Marie Abalos-Vargas of the Mandaluyong City Mayor's office. Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) NCR Regional Director Jovencio Ferrer, Jr. also took part in the event as its keynote speaker.

MAGSAYSAY is committed to enriching people's lives through fulfilling careers, powered by training and development, to benefit the industries and communities it serves. By nurturing and securing excellent Filipino seafarers through quality education such as MIHCA, MAGSAYSAY is committed to keep the hospitality and cruise industry stable and achieve the highest level of excellence and innovation.

MIHCA Mandaluyong campus was officially opened in June 2017 to cater to the communities in the eastern part of Metro Manila who wish to join the cruise and hospitality industry. For more information about MIHCA's offered programs, contact their Admissions Office at +63 917 836 6718 or email admissions.mihcamandaluyong@mihca.edu.ph.

About MIHCA

A member of the Magsaysay Group, Magsaysay Center for Hospitality and Culinary Arts (MIHCA) has been at the forefront of training and producing job-ready professionals in the fields of hospitality, tourism, and culinary arts. MIHCA has four satellite schools in Manila, Mandaluyong, and Cebu (Philippines), as well as in Jakarta, Indonesia, with state-of-the-art facilities where students can hone their skills in real-world job settings.

About Princess Cruises

One of the best-known names in the cruising industry, Princess is a global cruise and tour company taking more than two million passengers each year to more than 330 worldwide destinations. The cruise line operates a fleet of 15 modern ships renowned for their innovative design and wide array of choices in dining, entertainment and amenities, all provided in an environment of exceptional customer service.

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