

# GMA signs Tourism Act

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MACTAN, Cebu – President Arroyo has signed into law the National Tourism Policy Act of 2009, which aims to solidify the status of the tourism industry as an engine of growth and development.

The President chose to sign Republic Act 9593 at the new Impe-

rial Palace Waterpark Resort and Spa here to emphasize the emergence of Cebu as the country's premier tourist destination.

Under the new law, the Department of Tourism (DOT) and its attached agencies will be strengthened in order to

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