

# REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 46-A**

Series of 2020 June 15, 2020

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, to prevent the sharp rise of COVID-19 cases in the country, the President placed the entirety of Luzon under Enhanced Community Quarantine until April 14, 2020;

WHEREAS, on March 30, 2020, to develop a science-based approach in determining the risk-based classification of areas in the country, the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) convened a sub-Technical Working Group tasked to develop the LGU Epidemic Response Framework and to define parameters in assessing recent developments in the Philippine COVID-19 situation;

WHEREAS, on April 3, 2020, the IATF finalized the parameters for deciding on the lifting or extension of the Enhanced Community Quarantine in Luzon, which include trends on the COVID-19 epidemiological curve, the health capacity of the country, social factors, economic factors, and security factors;

WHEREAS, on April 30, 2020, the Office of the Executive Secretary issued Executive Order (E.O.) No. 112 Imposing an Enhanced Community Quarantine in High-Risk Geographic Areas of the Philippines and a General Community Quarantine in the Rest of The Country from 01 To 15 May 2020, Adopting The Omnibus Guidelines On The Implementation Thereof, And For Other Purposes;

WHEREAS, on May 27, 2020, the IATF released an updated risk classification in all Provinces, Highly Urbanized Cities and Independent Component Cities in the country, placing localities under different classifications of community quarantine with the goal of balancing economic activity and public health;

**WHEREAS,** as of June 14, 2020, there is a total of Twenty-five Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty (25,930) confirmed cases in the Philippines;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** as it is hereby resolved, that the IATF approves the following:

A. The recommendations of the IATF Screening and Validation Committee, as amended are approved. Beginning 16 June 2020, the community quarantine classification of Provinces, Highly Urbanized Cities (HUCs), and Independent Component Cities (ICCs) based on epidemic risk level, economic, social, and security considerations, and the appeals and commitment of local government units (LGUs) shall be adopted:



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1. The following provinces, HUCs, and ICCs shall be placed under Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) until 30 June 2020:

#### a. For Luzon:

- i. Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR) Abra, Apayao, Benguet, Ifugao, Kalinga, Mountain Province, Baguio City;
- ii. Region I Ilocos Norte, Ilocos Sur, La Union, Pangasinan, Dagupan City;
- iii. Batanes;
- iv. Region III Nueva Ecija, Pampanga, Zambales, Angeles City;
- v. Lucena City;
- vi. Region IV-B Marinduque, Oriental Mindoro, Romblon, Palawan, Puerto Princesa City; and
- vii. Region V Albay, Camarines Norte, Camarines Sur, Catanduanes, Masbate, Sorsogon, Legazpi City, and Naga City.

#### b. For Visavas:

- i. Region VI Aklan, Antique, Capiz, Guimaras, Iloilo, Negros Occidental, Iloilo City, Bacolod City; and
- ii. Region VIII Biliran, Eastern Samar, Leyte, Northern Samar, Western Samar, Southern Leyte, Ormoc City, Tacloban City.

#### c. For Mindanao:

- Region IX Zamboanga del Norte, Zamboanga del Sur, Zamboanga Sibugay, Isabela City;
- Region X Bukidnon, Camiguin, Lanao del Norte, Misamis Occidental, Misamis Oriental, Cagayan de Oro City;
- iii. Region XI Davao de Oro, Davao del Norte, Davao del Sur, Davao Occidental, Davao Oriental;
- iv. Region XII North Cotabato, South Cotabato, Sarangani, Sultan Kudarat, General Santos City;
- v. Region XIII (Caraga) Agusan del Norte, Agusan del Sur, Dinagat Islands, Surigao del Norte, Surigao del Sur, Butuan City; and
- vi. Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) Basilan, Lanao del Sur, Maguindanao, Sulu, Tawi-Tawi, Cotabato City.



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- 2. The following provinces, HUCs, and ICCs shall be placed under General Community Quarantine (GCQ) until 30 June 2020:
  - a. For Luzon:
    - Region II Cagayan, Isabela, Nueva Vizcaya, Quirino, Santiago City;
    - ii. Region III Aurora, Bataan, Bulacan, Tarlac, Olongapo City;
    - iii. Region IV-A Cavite, Laguna, Batangas, Rizal, Quezon; and
    - iv. Occidental Mindoro.
  - b. For Visayas:
    - Region VII Bohol, Cebu, Negros Oriental, Siquijor, Mandaue City, Lapu-Lapu City.
  - c. For Mindanao:
    - i. Zamboanga City; and
    - ii. Davao City.
- 3. All HUCs of the National Capital Region (NCR) and the Municipality of Pateros shall be placed under GCQ until 30 June 2020. The NCR-Regional Task Force (RTF) is hereby directed to monitor health system capacity and utilization rates across health facilities, and ensure strict compliance to surveillance, isolation, treatment, and minimum health system standards.
- 4. Due to the increasing number of new cases and widespread community transmission in majority of barangays in the city, as well as consistent case doubling time of less than seven (7) days and significant increase in critical care utilization against critical care capacity, Cebu City shall be placed under Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ). For the same reasons, Talisay City, a component city under the province of Cebu, shall be placed under Modified Enhanced Community Quarantine (MECQ) until 30 June 2020.
- 5. All provinces, HUCs, and ICCs are directed to observe the strict enforcement of the following measures:
  - Minimum public health standards, especially uniform implementation in high-risk areas such as healthcare settings, wet markets, supermarkets, government offices, and workplaces, among others;



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- b. Localized community quarantine in priority/critical areas with community transmission, with concurrence of the RIATF;
- c. Immediate facility-based isolation of all returning citizens, suspect, and probable cases;
- d. Scaling up of local health system capacity, especially for community isolation and critical care, including dedicated mechanical ventilators, ICU, isolation, and ward beds for COVID-19 cases;
- e. Submission of complete and accurate data through COVID-Kaya and DOH DataCollect.
- 6. The regional COVID Special Teams, in cooperation with and the Regional Task Force, are directed to:
  - a. Oversee and assist surveillance monitoring and contact tracing of suspect and probable cases, with full mobilization of composite teams in areas with continuous transmission;
  - b. Develop a ground-operations plan to urgently execute control and public health measures in the next two (2) weeks.

**APPROVED** during the 46th Inter-Agency Task Force Meeting, as reflected in the minutes of the meeting, held this 15th of June 2020 *via* video conference.

FRANCISCO T. DUQUE III
Secretary, Department of Health

IATF Chairperson

KARLO/ALEXEI B. NOGRALES

Cabinet Secretary, Office of the Cabinet Secretary
IATF Co-Chairperson



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#### CERTIFICATION

#### This is to certify that:

- 1. I am presently an Assistant Secretary of the Department of Health;
- 2. I am the designated Head of the Secretariat of the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) on the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases created under Executive Order No. 168, series of 2014 and chaired by the Department of Health (DOH);
- 3. The IATF Secretariat holds office in the DOH Main Office, San Lazaro Compound, Tayuman, Sta. Cruz, Manila;
- 4. I am the custodian of the records of the IATF, including the Minutes of Meetings and Resolutions;
- 5. In the Regular Meeting of the IATF held on **IS JUNE 2020** via teleconference during which a quorum was present and acted throughout, IATF Resolution No. **46** A was unanimously approved and adopted;
- 6. The foregoing resolution has been signed by Secretary Francisco T. Duque III and Cabinet Secretary Karlo Alexei B. Nograles upon authority of the IATF Members;
- 7. The aforesaid resolution has not been altered, modified nor revoked and the same is now in full force and effect;
- 8. I am executing this Certification for whatever legitimate purpose this may serve.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my signature this 15th day of June 2020, Manila.

KENNETH G. RONQUILLO, MD, MPHM Assistant Secretary, Department of Health Secretariat Head, IATF