

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

RESOLUTION NO. 149-C

Series of 2021 November 20, 2021

WHEREAS, Section 15 Article II of the 1987 Constitution states that the State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, Section 2 (c) of Executive Order No. 168 (s.2014) mandates the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF) to prevent and/or minimize the local spread of emerging infectious diseases (EID) in the country through the establishment or reinforcement of a system in screening possible patients infected with EID, contact tracing, identification of the mode of exposure to the virus, and implementation of effective quarantine and proper isolation procedures;

WHEREAS, on September 10, 2020, the President issued Proclamation No. 1218 (s.2021) further extending the period of the State of Calamity throughout the Philippines until September 12, 2022, unless earlier lifted or extended as circumstances may warrant;

WHEREAS, the IATF approved the shift in the policy of classifying Provinces, Highly Urbanized Cities (HUCs), and Independent Component Cities (ICC) for purposes of community quarantine and adopted the Alert Level System for identified pilot areas of implementation and piloted the implementation thereof in the National Capital Region (NCR) on 08 September 2021, and has since expanded to other regions;

WHEREAS, the President issued Executive Order No. 151 (s.2021) on 11 November 2021, approving the nationwide implementation of the Alert Level System for COVID-19 Response.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, that the IATF approves the recommendation of the sub-Technical Working Group on Data Analytics to implement Phase 4 of the Alert Level System placing the following provinces, highly urbanized cities (HUCs), and independent component cities (ICCs) under their respective Alert Levels from 22 November 2021 to 30 November 2021:

A. The following provinces, HUCs, and ICCs shall be placed under Alert Level 2:



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- 1. Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR): Benguet, Abra, and Kalinga;
- 2. Region IV-B: Oriental Mindoro, Puerto Princesa, Marinduque, Romblon, Palawan, and Occidental Mindoro;
- 3. Region XIII (CARAGA): Butuan City, Surigao del Norte, Agusan del Sur, Surigao del Sur, and Agusan del Norte;
- Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM): Basilan, Cotabato City, Tawi-Tawi, Lanao del Sur, Maguindanao.
- B. The following provinces, HUCs, and ICCs shall be placed under Alert Level 3:
 - 1. CAR: Apayao, Mountain Province, and Ifugao;
 - 2. CARAGA: Dinagat Islands;
 - 3. BARMM: Sulu.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Chairperson and the Co-Chairperson shall be duly authorized to sign this Resolution for and on behalf of the Inter-Agency Task Force.

APPROVED this November 20, 2021, via ad referendum.

FRANCISCO'T. DUQUE III Secretary, Department of Health IATF Chairperson

KARLO ALEXEI B. NOGRALES Secretary, Office of the Cabinet Secretariat IATF Co-Chairperson



CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that:

- 1. I am presently an Undersecretary of the Department of Health;
- 2. I am the Head of the Secretariat of the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) on the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases created under Executive Order No. 168, (s.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;
- 1. IATF Resolution No. <u>149-C</u> was unanimously approved and adopted via *ad referendum*;
- 5. The foregoing resolution has been signed by Secretary Francisco T. Duque III and/or Secretary Karlo Alexei B. Nograles upon the authority of the IATF Members;
- 6. The aforesaid resolution has not been altered, modified nor revoked and the same is now in full force and effect:
- 7. I am executing this Certification for whatever legitimate purpose this may serve.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my signature this <u>20th</u> day of November 2021, Manila.

ATTY. CHARADE B. MERCADO-GRANDE

Undersecretary of Health Head Secretariat, IATF