

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 157-A**

Series of 2022 January 13, 2022

**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 recommendations of the sub-Technical Working Group on Data Analytics placing the following provinces, highly urbanized cities (HUCs), and independent component cities (ICCs) under their respective Alert Levels effective 16 January 2022 until 31 January 2022:

- A. The following provinces, HUCs, and ICCs shall be placed under Alert Level 3:
  - 1. For Luzon:



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- a. National Capital Region;
- b. Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR): Baguio City, Ifugao, Mountain Province;
- c. Region I: Dagupan City, Ilocos Sur;
- d. Region II: City of Santiago, Cagayan;
- e. Region III: Angeles City, Aurora, Bataan, Bulacan, Olongapo City, Pampanga, Zambales;
- f. Region IV-A: Rizal, Batangas, Cavite, Laguna, Lucena City;
- g. Region IV-B: Marinduque, Romblon; and
- h. Region V: Camarines Norte, Catanduanes, Naga City, Sorsogon.
- 2. For Visayas:
  - a. Region VI: Iloilo City, Iloilo, Negros Occidental, Guimaras;
  - b. Region VII: Lapu-Lapu City, Bohol, Cebu, Negros Oriental; and
  - c. Region VIII: Ormoc City, Biliran, Eastern Samar, Leyte, Northern Samar, Southern Leyte, Western Samar.
- 3. For Mindanao:
  - a. Region IX: City of Isabela, Zamboanga City, Zamboanga Del Sur;
  - Region X: Bukidnon, Iligan City, Misamis Occidental, Misamis Oriental;
  - c. Region XI: Davao Del Sur, Davao Del Norte;
  - d. Region XII: General Santos City, South Cotabato;
  - e. Region XIII (CARAGA): Surigao Del Sur, Agusan Del Norte; and
  - f. Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM): Lanao Del Sur.
- B. The following provinces, HUCs, and ICCs shall be placed under Alert Level 2:
  - 1. For Luzon:
    - a. CAR: Apayao;
    - b. Region II: Batanes;
    - c. Region IV-B: Palawan, Puerto Princesa City; and
    - d. Region V: Masbate.
  - 2. For Visayas: Siquijor; and
  - 3. For Mindanao:
    - a. Region IX: Zamboanga Del Norte, Zamboanga Sibugay;
    - b. Region X: Camiguin, Lanao Del Norte;
    - c. Region XI: Davao De Oro, Davao Occidental, Davao Oriental;



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- d. Region XII: North Cotabato, Sarangani, Sultan Kudarat;
- e. CARAGA: Dinagat Islands, Surigao Del Norte; and
- f. BARMM: Basilan, Maguindanao, Sulu, Tawi-tawi.
- C. All other provinces, HUCs, and ICCs shall maintain their alert level classification as provided for under IATF Resolution No. 156-C (s.2022).

**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** during the 157th Inter-Agency Task Force Meeting, as reflected in the minutes of the meeting, held this January 13, 2022, via video conference.

Secretary, Department of Health
IATF Chairperson

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



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#### **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. In the Regular Meeting of the IATF held on <u>13 January 2022</u> via teleconference during which a quorum was present and acted throughout, IATF Resolution No. <u>157-A</u> was unanimously approved and adopted;
- 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>13th</u> day of January 2022, Manila.

ATTY. CHARADE B. MERCADO-GRANDE

Undersecretary of Health Head Secretariat, IATF