



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

RESOLUTION NO. 32

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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 whether the Enhanced Community Quarantine in Luzon should be totally or partially lifted, extended, or expanded to other areas, the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) convened a sub-Technical Working Group tasked 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 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, as of May 04, 2020, there are a total of nine thousand four hundred eighty five (9,485) 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 National Task Force (NTF) COVID-19 Chief Implementer as presented are approved, the specifics of which are as follows:
 1. The temporary suspension of all international flights to and from the Philippines until May 8, 2020, 11:59 PM, except for official, emergency, cargo, ambulance and medical supply, weather mitigation, maintenance flights, as well as international flights for stranded foreign nationals. Local sweeper flights shall remain to be exempted. Any flight not covered by the aforementioned exceptions must secure an exemption from the Civil Aviation



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Authority of the Philippines within thirty-six (36) hours before departure from the point of origin.

For flights scheduled after May 8, 2020, the Department of Transportation may regulate the number of inbound flights and of arriving passengers to ensure that all arriving passengers are processed and managed in accordance with existing quarantine protocols;

2. The establishment and operation of four mega swabbing facilities in the following locations: the Enderun Colleges in Taguig, Philippine Arena in Bulacan, Mall of Asia in Pasay, and Palacio de Maynila in Manila; and
 3. The scaling up of testing capacity in Mindanao.
- B. The recommendations of the IATF sub-Technical Working Group on Data Analytics as presented and amended are approved, the specifics of which are as follows:
1. The updated classification and decision tool for the declaration, extension, or lifting of community quarantine in provinces, Highly Urbanized Cities (HUCs), and Independent Component Cities (ICCs);
 2. The creation of an IATF Screening and Validation Committee composed of undersecretaries from the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) as chair, Department of Health (DOH), Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), Department of Agriculture (DA), Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), and such other agencies as may be necessary, as members, which shall process the requests and appeals of provinces, HUCs, and ICCs with regard to the implementation of community quarantine in their jurisdictions in accordance with the approved procedure as presented by the DOH, and as amended; and
 3. The conduct of cascading activities to disseminate the aforementioned classification and decision tool and the Local Government Unit (LGU) Epidemic Response Framework to sub-national government entities, as well as capacity-building activities related thereto.
- C. The recommendations of the Department of Transportation to explore the provision of the following subsidies or support for drivers and operators in the road transportation sector in areas not under Enhanced Community Quarantine are adopted, the specifics of which are as follows:
1. The provision of fuel subsidy amounting to a thirty percent (30%) equivalent of their daily fuel consumption, as may be sourced from funds appropriated




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- under Republic Act No. 11469, and such other subsidies that may be sourced from future stimulus packages as may be appropriate under the circumstances for public transports permitted to operate at a limited capacity;
2. The submission of requests to financing institutions to provide loan arrangements for the transportation sector at preferred interest; and
 3. The submission of requests to financing institutions, especially government banks, for the deferment of payment of amortizations without interest.
- D. The Omnibus Guidelines on the Quarantine and Testing of Repatriates as presented by the DOH, and as amended, is hereby adopted. The NTF Sub-Task Group for the Repatriation of Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs) is hereby directed to reference said guidelines in the issuance of the Interim Guidelines on the Management of Returning Overseas Filipinos (ROFs) and Locally Stranded Individuals (LSIs). The same Sub-Task Group is also authorized to amend the aforementioned interim guidelines as may be necessary without requiring further approval of the IATF.

APPROVED during the 32nd Inter-Agency Task Force Meeting, as reflected in the minutes of the meeting, held this 4th of May, 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 _____ via teleconference during which a quorum was present and acted throughout, IATF Resolution No. ____ 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 ____ day of May 2020, Manila.

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