



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

RESOLUTION NO. 53

Series of 2020

July 09, 2020

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 23, 2020, pursuant to the authority granted to the IATF under E.O. 112, the IATF issued and published amended Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of the Community Quarantine in the Philippines;


WHEREAS, due to developments in the situation of the COVID-19 health event in the country, further amendments are required to further streamline the government's response to the pandemic;


WHEREAS, as of 09 July 2020, there are Thirty-seven Thousand Six Hundred twenty-seven active cases of COVID-19 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 for Coronavirus Disease 2019 in further strengthening screening and surveillance activities are hereby adopted, the specifics of which are as follows:
 1. Supporting the efforts of the Department of Transportation in the hiring of more civilians to serve as additional personnel for contact tracing and swabbing in ports of entry;
 2. Dedicating Subic and other ports as hubs for international crew change, strictly observing established health protocols and guidelines; and
 3. Establishing one-stop shops under the DOTr for uniform processing of arrivals in all gateways.
- B. The inbound flight crew protocols as mandated by the International Civil Aviation Organization for inbound flight crew are hereby adopted. The Department of Transportation, including its attached agencies such as the Civil Aeronautics Board and Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines, is hereby directed to issue the necessary guidelines, specifying that inbound flight crew must remain in their accommodation establishments upon arrival to avoid transmission.

APPROVED during the 53rd Inter-Agency Task Force Meeting, as reflected in the minutes of the meeting, held this 9th of July 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



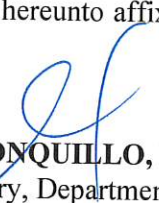
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CERTIFICATION

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 9 JULY 2020 via teleconference during which a quorum was present and acted throughout, IATF Resolution No. 53 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 9th day of July 2020, Manila.


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