

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 107-A**

Series of 2020 March 29, 2021

**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 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,** on September 16, 2020, the President issued Proclamation No. 1021 (s.2020) extending the period of the State of Calamity throughout the Philippines due to Coronavirus Disease 2019 declared under Proclamation No. 929 (s.2020);

**WHEREAS,** as of March 28, 2021, there are a total of One Hundred Five Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-Eight (105,568) active COVID-19 cases in the Philippines.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** as it is hereby resolved, upon the recommendations of the IATF Screening and Validation Committee, that the IATF provisionally approves and recommends to the President the following:

- 1. Effective 01 April 2021, the risk-level classifications of Provinces, Highly Urbanized Cities (HUCs), and Independent Component Cities (ICCs) shall be as follows:
  - a. The following provinces, HUCs, and ICCs shall be placed under Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) until 30 April 2021, without



prejudice to their reclassification as may be warranted and the declaration of localized Enhanced Community Quarantine in critical areas:

#### i. For Luzon:

- a. Region I Ilocos Norte\*, Ilocos Sur, La Union, Pangasinan, Dagupan City\*;
- b. Region II Batanes;
- c. Region III Aurora\*, Bataan\*, Nueva Ecija\*, Pampanga\*, Tarlac\*, Zambales\*, Angeles City\*, Olongapo City\*;
- d. Region IV-A Quezon\*, Lucena City\*;
- e. Region IV-B Marinduque, Occidental Mindoro\*, Oriental Mindoro\*, Romblon, Palawan, Puerto Princesa City\*; and
- f. Region V Albay, Camarines Norte, Camarines Sur, Catanduanes, Masbate, Sorsogon, Naga City.

### ii. For the Visayas:

- a. Region VI Aklan, Antique, Bacolod\*, Capiz, Guimaras\*, Iloilo\*, Iloilo City\*, Negros Occidental;
- b. Region VII Bohol\*, Cebu\*, Negros Oriental, Siquijor, Cebu City\*, Lapu-Lapu City\*, Mandaue City\*; and
- c. Region VIII Biliran, Leyte, Southern Leyte, Eastern Samar, Northern Samar, Western Samar, and Ormoc City\*.

#### iii. For Mindanao:

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

b. The following provinces, HUCs, and ICCs shall be placed under General Community Quarantine (GCQ) until 30 April 2021, without prejudice to their

<sup>\*</sup> Areas requiring special attention by the local government unit and Regional IATF and the National Task Force



reclassification as may be warranted and the declaration of localized Enhanced Community Quarantine in critical areas:

- i. For Luzon:
  - a. Cordillera Administrative Region Abra, Apayao, Benguet, Baguio City, Ifugao, Kalinga, Mt. Province;
  - b. Region II Nueva Vizcaya, Isabela, Cagayan; and
  - c. Batangas
- ii. For the Visayas, Tacloban City;
- iii. For Mindanao:
  - a. Iligan City;
  - b. Lanao del Sur; and
  - c. Davao City.

- c. Santiago City shall be placed under Modified Enhanced Community Quarantine until 30 April 2021, without prejudice to their reclassification as may be warranted and the declaration of localized Enhanced Community Ouarantine in critical areas.
- d. Quirino shall be placed under Modified Enhanced Community Quarantine until 15 April 2021, without prejudice to their reclassification as may be warranted and the declaration of localized Enhanced Community Quarantine in critical areas. After said period, the Regional IATF may de-escalate the province to General Community Quarantine, should the situation improve.
- e. The HUCs of the National Capital Region and the municipality of Pateros, including the provinces of Bulacan, Cavite, Laguna, Rizal shall retain their classification of Enhanced Community Quarantine until April 04, 2021.
- 2. All areas shall continue to implement the following measures:
  - a. Health promotion and strict enforcement of minimum public health standards, especially their uniform implementation in high-risk areas such as healthcare settings, wet markets, supermarkets, government offices, workplaces, and at home, among others:

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- b. The implementation of localized community quarantine and the ramping up of the availability of identified quarantine facilities in priority/critical areas with community transmission, including in private and public establishments, with the concurrence of the RIATF;
- c. Immediate facility-based isolation of all returning citizens, suspect, and probable cases;
- d. Scaling up of local health systems capacity, especially for community isolation and critical care, including dedicated mechanical ventilators, and Intensive Care Units, isolation, and ward beds for COVID-19 cases; and
- e. Submission of complete and accurate data through COVID-Kaya and the DOH DataCollect.

**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 107<sup>th</sup> Inter-Agency Task Force Meeting, as reflected in the minutes of the meeting, held this 29<sup>th</sup> of March 2021 *via* video conference.

KANCISCO T. ØUQUE III

Secretary, Department of Health IATF Chairperson

KARLO/ALEXEI B. NOGRALES

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



#### **CERTIFICATION**

### This is to certify that:

- 1. I am presently an Assistant Secretary of the Department of Health;
- 2. I am the interim OIC-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;
- 5. In a regular meeting of the IATF, the IATF Resolution No. **107-A** was unanimously approved and adopted;
- 6. The foregoing resolution has been signed by Secretary Francisco T. Duque III and Secretary Karlo Alexei B. Nograles upon the 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 **29th** day of March 2021. Manila.

ATTY. CHARADE B. MERCADO GRANDE

OIC-Head of the Secretariat, IATF
Assistant Secretary of Health