



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

RESOLUTION NO. 163-A

Series of 2022

February 27, 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 01 March 2022 until 15 March 2022:



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

1. For Luzon:
 - a. Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR): Benguet, Ifugao, Mountain Province;
 - b. Region II: Nueva Vizcaya;
 - c. Region III: Nueva Ecija, Zambales;
 - d. Region IV-A: Batangas, Lucena City, Quezon Province, Rizal;
 - e. Region IV-B: Occidental Mindoro, Oriental Mindoro, Palawan, and
 - f. Region V: Albay, Camarines Norte, Camarines Sur, Masbate, Sorsogon.

2. For Visayas:
 - a. Region VI: Antique, Iloilo City, Iloilo Province, Negros Occidental;
 - b. Region VII: Bohol, Cebu Province, Cebu City, Lapu-Lapu City, Mandaue City, Negros Oriental, and
 - c. Region VIII: Eastern Samar, Leyte, Northern Samar, Ormoc City, Southern Leyte, Tacloban City, Western Samar.

3. For Mindanao:
 - a. Region IX: City of Isabela, Zamboanga del Sur, Zamboanga del Norte, Zamboanga Sibugay;
 - b. Region X: Bukidnon, Iligan City, Lanao del Norte, Misamis Occidental, Misamis Oriental;
 - c. Region XI: Davao De Oro, Davao Del Sur, Davao Del Norte, Davao Oriental, Davao Occidental;
 - d. Region XII: General Santos City, North Cotabato, Sarangani, South Cotabato, Sultan Kudarat;
 - e. Region XIII (CARAGA): Surigao del Norte, Surigao del Sur, Agusan del Norte, Agusan del Sur, Butuan City, Dinagat Islands; and
 - f. Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM): Basilan, Maguindanao, Sulu, Tawi-tawi, Cotabato City, Lanao Del Sur.



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B. The following provinces, HUCs, and ICCs shall be placed under Alert Level 1:

1. For Luzon:
 - a. National Capital Region (NCR);
 - b. Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR): Abra, Apayao, Baguio City, Kalinga;
 - c. Region I: Dagupan City, Ilocos Norte, Ilocos Sur, La Union, Pangasinan;
 - d. Region II: Batanes, Cagayan, City of Santiago, Isabela, Quirino;
 - e. Region III: Angeles City, Aurora, Bataan, Bulacan, Olongapo City, Pampanga, Tarlac;
 - f. Region IV-A: Cavite, Laguna;
 - g. Region IV-B: Marinduque, Puerto Princesa City, Romblon; and
 - h. Region V: Naga City and Catanduanes.
2. For Visayas:
 - a. Region VI: Aklan, Bacolod City, Capiz, Guimaras;
 - b. Region VII: Siquijor; and
 - c. Region VIII: Biliran.
3. For Mindanao:
 - a. Region IX: Zamboanga City;
 - b. Region X: Cagayan de Oro City, Camiguin; and
 - c. Region XI: Davao City.

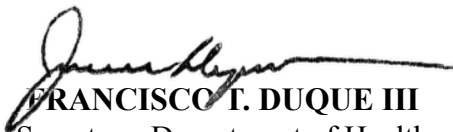
RESOLVED FURTHER, that with the full operating/seating/venue capacity of industries, establishments, and public transportation in areas classified under Alert Level 1, the IATF approves the amendments to the Guidelines on the Nationwide Implementation of Alert Level System For COVID-19 Response underscoring the Prevent - Detect - Isolate - Treat - Reintegrate - Vaccinate Strategy of the National Government for areas hereinafter classified under said Alert Level.



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RESOLVED FINALLY, 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 February 27, 2022, 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




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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;
5. IATF Resolution No. 163-A was unanimously approved and adopted via *ad referendum*;
6. 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;
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 **27th** day of February 2022, Manila.


ATTY. CHARADE B. MERCADO-GRANDE
Undersecretary of Health
Head Secretariat, IATF