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For information and guidance, attached is a certified copy of the Memorandum from the Executive Secretary, Salvador C. Medialdea, dated January 1, 2021, entitled "**COMMUNITY QUARANTINE CLASSIFICATION OF PROVINCES, HIGHLY URBANIZED CITIES (HUCs) AND INDEPENDENT COMPONENT CITIES (ICCs) FROM 01-31 JANUARY 2021**".

A copy of the said Memorandum may also be downloaded from the DPWH website: <http://dpwhweb>. If an office cannot access the DPWH website, a hard copy may be obtained from the Records Management Division, HRAS, upon request.

For dissemination to all concerned.

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Encl: Memorandum from the Executive Secretary dated January 1, 2021

cc: Office of the Secretary

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**Office of the President
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MEMORANDUM FROM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

TO : HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES, OFFICES AND INSTRUMENTALITIES OF THE GOVERNMENT, GOVERNMENT OWNED OR -CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS (GOCCs), GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS (GFIs), STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES (SUCs) AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (LGUs)

SUBJECT : COMMUNITY QUARANTINE CLASSIFICATION OF PROVINCES, HIGHLY URBANIZED CITIES AND INDEPENDENT COMPONENT CITIES FROM 01-31 JANUARY 2021

DATE : 01 January 2021

Please be informed that the President, taking into consideration the recommendation of the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF), has **approved** the following community quarantine classification of Provinces, Highly Urbanized Cities (HUCs) and Independent Component Cities (ICCs) from **01-31 January 2021**, to wit:

A. General Community Quarantine (GCQ)

The following provinces, HUCs and ICCs shall be placed under GCQ without prejudice to their reclassification as may be warranted and the declaration of localized Enhanced Community Quarantine in critical areas:

- I. For Luzon:
 - a. All HUCs* of the National Capital Region and the Municipality of Pateros*;
 - b. Santiago City*; and
 - c. Batangas
- II. For the Visayas:
 - a. Tacloban City*
- III. For Mindanao:
 - a. Iligan City;
 - b. Lanao del Sur;
 - c. Davao City; and
 - d. Davao del Norte

B. Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ)

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- b. Region I - Ilocos Norte, Ilocos Sur, La Union, Pangasinan, Dagupan City;
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- e. Region IV-A - Cavite, Laguna, Rizal*, Quezon, Lucena City;
- f. Region IV-B - Marinduque, Occidental Mindoro, Oriental Mindoro, Romblon, Palawan, Puerto Princesa City; and
- g. Region V - Albay, Camarines Norte, Camarines Sur, Catanduanes, Masbate, Sorsogon, Naga City.

II. For the Visayas:

- a. Region VI - Aklan, Antique, Bacolod City, Capiz, Guimaras, Iloilo, Iloilo City**, Negros Occidental;
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III. For Mindanao:

- a. Region IX - Zamboanga City, Zamboanga del Norte, Zamboanga del Sur, Zamboanga Sibugay;
- 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;
- d. Region XII - North Cotabato, South Cotabato, Sarangani, Sultan Kudarat, General Santos City*;
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- f. Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) - Basilan, Maguindanao, Sulu, Tawi-Tawi, Cotabato City.

** Areas requiring special attention by the local government unit and Regional IATF and the National Task Force*

*** Areas requiring reassessment within 7 days*

ALL AREAS shall continue to implement the following measures:

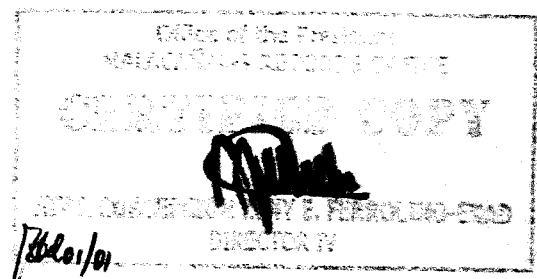
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5. Submission of complete and accurate data through COVID-Kaya and the DOH DataCollect.

All heads of departments, agencies, offices and instrumentalities of the government, including the Philippine National Police, Armed Forces of the Philippines and the Philippine Coast Guard, GOCCs, GFIs, SUCs, and LGUs are hereby directed to strictly observe and implement the applicable guidelines provided under the *Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of Community Quarantine in the Philippines*, as amended, issued by the IATF, and other relevant issuances.

By Order of the President:


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