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For information and guidance, attached is a certified copy of the Memorandum from the Executive Secretary, Salvador C. Medialdea, dated December 1, 2020 re: **"COMMUNITY QUARANTINE CLASSIFICATION OF PROVINCES, HIGHLY URBANIZED CITIES AND INDEPENDENT COMPONENT CITIES FROM 01-31 DECEMBER 2020"**.

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.

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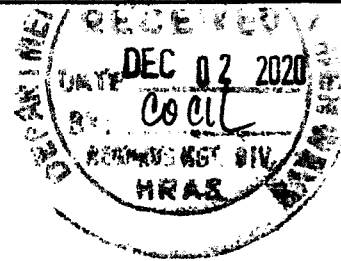
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SECRETARY MARK A. VILLAR
Department of Public Works and Highway
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MEMORANDUM FROM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

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 DECEMBER 2020

DATE : DEC 01 2020

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 December 2020**, to wit:

A. General Community Quarantine (GCQ)

The following provinces, HUCs and ICCs shall be placed under GCQ without prejudice to 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; and
 - b. Batangas;
- II. For the Visayas:
 - a. Iloilo City; and
 - b. Tacloban City;
- II. For Mindanao:
 - a. Iligan City;
 - b. Lanao del Sur;
 - c. Davao City; and
 - d. Davao del Norte;

B. Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ)

The following provinces, HUCs and ICCs shall be placed under MGCQ without prejudice to the declaration of localized Enhanced Community Quarantine in critical areas:

- I. For Luzon:
 - a. Cordillera Administrative Region- Abra, Apayao, Ifugao, Benguet*, Kalinga, Mountain Province, Baguio City*;
 - b. Region I- Ilocos Norte, Ilocos Sur, La Union, Pangasinan, Dagupan City*;
 - c. Region II- Batanes, Cagayan, Isabela*, Nueva Vizcaya, Quirino, Santiago City;
 - d. Region III- Aurora, Bataan, Bulacan, Nueva Ecija, Pampanga*, Tarlac, Zambales*, Angeles City, Olongapo City*;
 - 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*, Negros Occidental*;
 - b. Region VII- Bohol, Cebu, Cebu City*, Lapu-Lapu City*, Mandaue City*, Negros Oriental, Siquijor; and
 - c. Region VIII- Biliran, Leyte, Southern Leyte*, Eastern Samar*, Northern Samar*, Western Samar, Ormoc City.
- 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*, Cotabato 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*.

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

ALL AREAS shall continue to implement the following measures:

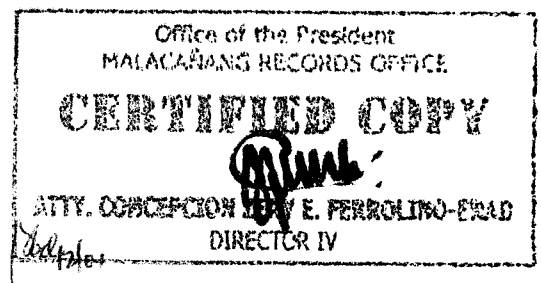
1. Health promotion and strict enforcement of minimum public health standards, especially their uniform implementation in high-risk areas such as healthcare settings, wet markets, supermarkets, government offices and workplaces, and at home, among others;

2. 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 Regional IATF;
3. Immediate facility-based isolation of all returning citizens, suspect, and probable cases;
4. 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;
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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Executive Secretary



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