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 3, 2020, the IATF finalized the parameters for deciding on the lifting or extension of the Enhanced Community Quarantine in Luzon, which include trends on the COVID-19 epidemiological curve, the health capacity of the country, social factors, economic factors, and security factors;

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 July 30, 2020, there are a total of Three Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-Four (3,954) reported new cases in the Philippines;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, that the IATF approves the recommendations of the IATF Screening and Validation Committee, as amended. Beginning 01 August 2020, the community quarantine classification of Provinces, Highly Urbanized Cities (HUCs), and Independent Component Cities (ICCs) based on epidemic risk level, economic, social, and security considerations, and the appeals and commitment of local government units (LGUs) shall be adopted:

1. The following provinces, HUCs, and ICCs shall be placed under Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) until 15 August 2020:
2. The following provinces, HUCs, and ICCs shall be placed under General Community Quarantine (GCQ) until 15 August 2020:

   a. For Luzon:
      i. Bulacan; and
b. For Visayas:
   i. Region VII - Cebu City, Lapu-Lapu City, Mandaue City.

c. For Mindanao:
   i. Zamboanga City.

3. In the case of Cebu, the province shall be placed under MGCQ, except for the City of Talisay and the Municipalities of Minglanilla and Consolacion, which shall remain under GCQ, with strict enforcement of indicated local actions, to be monitored by the NTF;

4. All HUCs of the NCR and the Municipality of Pateros shall continue to be placed under GCQ;

5. The local government units of NCR and Region 4-A are directed with the following mandatory actions:

   a. The National Task Force, DILG, and CODE (Coordinated Operations to Defeat Epidemic) Teams shall ensure that areas flagged for local action shall implement the following measures in areas identified with high community transmission:

   i. Strict localized lockdown/ECQ in barangays where 80% of cases are located and the publication of these barangays;
   ii. Stringent enforcement of minimum health standards;
   iii. Massive targeted testing, intensified tracing, and quarantine of close contacts;
   iv. Isolation of confirmed cases; and
   v. Strict adherence to the implementation of Oplan Kalinga for isolation of confirmed cases.

   b. All government hospitals are mandated to increase hospital beds (ward, isolation, and especially ICU beds) dedicated to COVID-19 up to 30-50%, pursuant to DOH Administrative Order No. 2020-0016, or similar future issuances. Likewise, all privately-owned hospitals are enjoined to increase hospital beds (ward, isolation, and especially ICU beds) dedicated to COVID-19 up to 20-30%. Pursuant to this, the NTF Treatment Czar is hereby directed to monitor compliance of hospitals to this directive and to the One Hospital Command System in NCR as well as in the surrounding Regions III and IV-A;

   c. The LGUs are directed to prioritize submission to the COVID-Kaya Platform, with concurrent submission to the NTF, the DILG, the NCR Regional
Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit (RESU) and the Metro Manila Development Authority (MMDA) daily updates and weekly comprehensive reports on the following metrics for priority areas/barangays under localized lockdown/ECQ, to wit:

i. Daily trend of active cases, number, and percent of population;
ii. Cases in community isolation facility (Temporary Treatment and Monitoring Facilities) vs. health facility (hospitals and medical centers) vs. home (pursuant to the DILG-DOH Joint Administrative Order No. 2020-0001 and to the DOH Department Memorandum No. 2020-0189);
iii. Percent of close contacts traced, and percent of contacts in quarantine;
iv. Number and utilization of community isolation beds;
v. Met health system capacity targets and utilization; and
vi. COVID Special Teams investigations and results;

d. The LGUs are also required to submit their detailed plans on the strict enforcement of minimum public health standards for priority areas/barangays;

e. The Regional Interagency Task Force (RIATF) is hereby directed to strictly monitor health system performance, capacity, and strict compliance to surveillance, isolation, and treatment protocols and provide a weekly comprehensive report to the IATF.

6. All provinces, HUCs, and ICCs are directed to observe the strict enforcement of the following measures:

a. Minimum public health standards, especially uniform implementation in high-risk areas such as healthcare settings, wet markets, supermarkets, government offices, and workplaces, among others;

b. Localized community quarantine and availability of identified quarantine facilities in priority/critical areas with community transmission, including private and public establishments, with concurrence of the RIATF;

c. Immediate facility-based isolation of all returning citizens, suspect, and probable cases;

d. Scaling up of local health system capacity, especially for community isolation and critical care, including dedicated mechanical ventilators, ICU, isolation, and ward beds for COVID-19 cases;
e. Submission of complete and accurate data through COVID-Kaya and DOH DataCollect.

7. The National Task Force and DILG shall ensure that areas flagged for local action shall implement strict lockdown of areas in line with the Zoning Containment Strategy, strict enforcement of minimum health standards, and intensified tracing and quarantine of close contacts and isolation of confirmed cases.

APPROVED during the 60th Inter-Agency Task Force Meeting, as reflected in the minutes of the meeting, held this 30th 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
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 30 July 2020 via teleconference during which a quorum was present and acted throughout, IATF Resolution No. 60-A was unanimously approved and adopted;

6. The foregoing resolution has been signed by Secretary Francisco T. Duque III and Cabinet Secretary Karlo Alexei B. Nogales 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 30th day of July 2020, Manila.

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Secretariat Head, IATF