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TO : ALL SHIPPING COMPANIES, SHIP OWNERS/OPERATORS

AND ALL CONCERNED

SUBJECT: GUIDELINES ON THE OPTIMIZATION OF PHYSICAL

DISTANCING AND CARRIAGE OF PASSENGERS ON

BOARD PASSENGER SHIPS

Pursuant to Resolution No. 67 issued by the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) on 31 August 2020, and in line with the approval of the IATF-EID to the proposal of the Economic Development Cluster (EDC) and the Department of Transportation (DOTr) to increase ridership in public transportation by optimizing or reducing the physical distance between and among commuters, the following guidelines are hereby adopted:

1. The schedule on the enforcement of physical distancing and the increase in the carriage of passengers on board passenger ships authorized to operate in the following IATF-EID classified community guarantine areas shall be as follows:

Areas of Classification	Effectivity Period	Physical Distance Between Passengers (In Meters)	Allowed Passengers On-Board (Authorized Capacity)*
GCQ to GCQ and vice- versa	14 September 2020	.75	75%
GCQ to MGCQ and vice- versa	28 September 2020	.50	85%
MGCQ to MGCQ and vice-versa	12 October 2020	.30	90%

^{*} SUBJECT TO COMPLIANCE WITH SAFETY AND HEALTH PROTOCOLS

- 2. The mandatory wearing of face masks and face shields for passengers including the officers and crew on-board the ships, shall be strictly implemented pursuant to DOTr Memorandum Circular No. 2020-014 issued on 03 August 2020;
- 3. One (1) meter physical distance between passengers during boarding and disembarkation must always be observed; and,
- 4. The operation of all ships in the routes/areas under Enhanced Community Quarantine and Modified Enhanced Community Quarantine shall be limited to carriage of cargoes only.

All provisions of MARINA Advisory No. 2020-55, MARINA Advisory No. 2020-29 and all other issuances inconsistent with this Advisory are hereby amended/modified accordingly.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

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