

RESOLUTION NO. 147

Series of 2021 November 04, 2021

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 (b) 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 entry of suspected or confirmed patients with emerging infectious diseases into the country;

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, 2021, unless earlier lifted or extended as circumstances may warrant;

WHEREAS, the Department of Health (DOH), the University of the Philippines-Philippine Genome Center (UP-PGC), and the University of the Philippines-National Institutes of Health (UP-NIH) biosurveillance have detected B.1.1.7 (Alpha), B.1.351 (Beta), and P.1 (Gamma) variants of SARS-CoV-2 in the Philippines. The DOH, UP-PGH, and UP-NIH have likewise confirmed the presence of the B.1.617 (Delta) variant that was first detected in India;

WHEREAS, the continued implementation of proactive measures and restrictions must be put in place to slow down the surge in COVID-19 cases, stop further spread of variants, buy time for the health system to cope, and to protect more lives.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, that the IATF approves the following:

- A. The recommendations of the sub-Technical Working Group on Data Analytics are adopted, the specifics of which are as follows:
 - 1. Alert level assignments shall be based on data that is nearest to the implementation date. Beginning 01 December 2021, Alert Level assignments shall be determined at every 15th and 30th of the month.



Escalations may be done at any time in the middle of the implementation period, as warranted. However, de-escalations can only be done at the end of the two-week assessment period.

- 2. The National Capital Region shall be deescalated to Alert Level 2 beginning 05 November 2021 until 21 November 2021; and
- 3. The National Task Force Against COVID-19 (NTF), with the Regional Task Forces and Regional Inter-Agency Task Forces, are directed to provide weekly feedback on the progress and implementation on all areas identified for Alert Level System rollout to the Inter-Agency Task Force.
- B. To clarify the allowed movement of persons under varying alert levels of the Guidelines on the Implementation of Alert Levels System for COVID-19 Response in Pilot Areas, the same shall be amended as follows:

SECTION [4] GUIDELINES FOR AREAS UNDER ALERT LEVEL 3. The following protocols shall be observed in areas placed under Alert Level 3, except for portions thereof under granular lockdown:

1. Intrazonal and interzonal movement shall be allowed. However, reasonable restrictions may be imposed by the LGUs, which should not be stricter as those prescribed under higher alert levels and subject to the oversight, monitoring, and evaluation of their respective RIATF. Provided, that those below eighteen (18) years of age, and those belonging to the vulnerable population, shall be allowed access to obtain essential goods and services, or for work in permitted industries and offices in accordance with existing labor laws, rules, and regulations. Individual outdoor exercises shall also be allowed for all ages regardless of comorbidities or vaccination status.

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SECTION [5] GUIDELINES FOR AREAS UNDER ALERT LEVEL 2. The following protocols shall be observed in areas placed under Alert Level 2, except for portions thereof under granular lockdown:



1. Intrazonal and interzonal <u>movement</u> shall be allowed. <u>However</u>, reasonable restrictions may be <u>imposed</u> by the LGUs, which should not be stricter as those prescribed under <u>higher alert levels</u> and subject to the oversight, monitoring, and evaluation of their respective RIATF.

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SECTION [6] GUIDELINES FOR AREAS UNDER ALERT LEVEL 1. The following protocols shall be observed in areas placed under Alert Level 1, except for portions thereof under granular lockdown:

1. Intrazonal and interzonal movement shall be allowed without regard to age and comorbidities.

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- C. To measure the success of the implementation of the NTF-approved Phase IV of the National Action Plan Against COVID-19 (NAP Phase IV), the following recovery indices shall be used:
 - 1. Infection management:
 - a. Number of severe and critical cases per month
 - b. Time gap from detection to isolation; and
 - c. Tests per case.
 - 2. Vaccine Roll-out:
 - a. Total vaccine doses administered per capita;
 - b. New vaccine doses administered per capita; and
 - c. Fully vaccinated individuals.
 - 3. Socio-Economic Recovery:
 - a. Purchasing Managers' Index by IHS Markit;
 - b. Google mobility to retail and recreation; and
 - c. Number of commercial airline passengers.

RESOLVED FURTHER, 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 during the 147th Inter-Agency Task Force Meeting, as reflected in the minutes of the meeting, held this November 04, 2021, via video conference.

FANCISCO T. DUQUE III
Secretary, Department of Health
IATF Chairperson

KARLO ALEXEI B. NOGRALES.
Secretary, Office of the Cabinet Secretariat
IATF Co-Chairperson



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. In the Regular Meeting of the IATF held on <u>04 November 2021</u> via teleconference during which a quorum was present and acted throughout, IATF Resolution No. <u>147</u> was unanimously approved and adopted;
- 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 4th day of November 2021, Manila.

ATTY. CHARADE B. MERCADO-GRAND

Undersecretary of Health Head Secretariat, IATF