



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
**INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE**  
FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES

**RESOLUTION NO. 76**

Series of 2020

October 2, 2020

**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 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 September 16, 2020, the President issued Proclamation No. 1021 (s.2020) extending the period of the State of Calamity throughout the Philippines due to Coronavirus Disease 2019 declared under Proclamation No. 929, (s.2020)

**WHEREAS**, as of October 01, 2020, there are total of Fifty-Four Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-Four (54,294) active COVID-19 cases in the Philippines;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, as it is hereby resolved, that the IATF approves the recommendations of the Economic Development Cluster to improve the management of COVID-19 risks in the country, the specifics of which are as follows:

- A. Further gradual reopening of the economy in increments proportional to the healthcare capacity of the country;
- B. Further enhance the approved Prevent, Detect, Isolate, Treat, Recover Strategy of the National Task Force Against COVID-19 through the following:
  - a. Continuous improvement of the hospital care capacity;



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- b. Further reopening of public transportation in such manner that is sufficient and safe to the public following health expert's guidance on minimum health standards; and
  - c. Maintaining the current community quarantine classifications of provinces, highly urbanized cities, and independent component cities with the stricter implementation and observance of the health and safety protocols. For this purpose, escalation of community quarantine levels shall be reserved as a last resort to address the rising COVID-19 situation in their jurisdiction.
- C. Support and endorse the Dietary Supplementation Program for children ages six months to twenty-three (6-23) months old, and nutritionally-at-risk pregnant women through the provision of cash or food packs, as appropriate.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, 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 76th Inter-Agency Task Force Meeting, as reflected in the minutes of the meeting, held this 2nd of October 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




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**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 **02 October 2020** via teleconference during which a quorum was present and acted throughout, IATF Resolution No. **76** was unanimously approved and adopted;
6. The foregoing resolution has been signed by Secretary Francisco T. Duque III and Cabinet Secretary Karlo Alexei B. Nograles 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 **2nd** day of October 2020, Manila.

  
**KENNETH G. RONQUILLO, MD, MPH**  
Assistant Secretary, Department of Health  
Secretariat Head, IATF