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TESTING AND QUARANTINE PROTOCOLS FOR INTERNATIONAL ARRIVING PASSENGERS COMING FROM COUNTRIES/JURISDICTIONS/TERRITORIES CATEGORIZED AS “GREEN LIST”, “YELLOW LIST”, AND “RED LIST” COUNTRIES/JURISDICTIONS/TERRITORIES IN ALL PORTS OF ENTRY IN THE PHILIPPINES

1. Pursuant to Resolution no. 142, series of 2021 dated 07 October 2021 as well as Resolution no. 144-A, series of 2021 dated 14 October 2021 of the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF) of the Republic of the Philippines, **the testing and quarantine protocols for international arriving passengers in all ports of entry in the Philippines are as follows:**
 - A. The country risk classification will be based on the following metrics:
 - 1.) Incidence rate over the past 28 days for countries with population greater than 100,000 and case count over the past 28 days for countries with population 100,000 and below;
 - 2.) Testing rate and test-to-case ratio; and
 - 3.) Steepness of case trend.
 - B. “Green List” countries/jurisdictions/territories are those classified by the IATF as Low Risk” countries/jurisdictions/territories. Subject to the review on the infection rates for fully vaccinated arriving international travelers and its operational framework on the fourteenth date from effectivity of IATF Resolution No. 144-A, s. 2021, the protocols for “Green” List countries/territories/jurisdictions in all ports of entry in the Philippines shall be as follows:
 - 1.) The following shall be the testing and quarantine protocols for fully vaccinated individuals:
 - a. **For foreign nationals:** a negative Reverse Transcription Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT-PCR) test shall be required to be taken within seventy-two hours (72) hours prior to departure from the country of origin. Upon arrival, no facility- based quarantine will be further required but the passenger is enjoined to self-monitor for any symptoms until the fourteenth (14th) day with the first day being the date of arrival.

- b. **For Filipinos, whether Overseas Filipino Workers or non-Overseas Filipino Workers:** either of the following depending on the choice of the arriving international passenger:
 - i. Facility-based quarantine until the release of a negative RT-PCR test taken in the quarantine facility upon arrival; or
 - ii. When a negative RT-PCR test was taken within 72 hours prior to departure from the country of origin, no facility-based quarantine shall be required but the passenger is enjoined to self-monitor for any symptoms until the fourteenth (14th) day with the first day being the date of arrival.
 - c. **For unvaccinated, partially vaccinated, or individuals whose vaccination status cannot be independently validated, and those vaccinated but failed to comply with the above test-before-travel requirements:**
 - i. Facility-based quarantine until the release of a negative RT-PCR test taken on the fifth (5th) day and self-monitor until the fourteenth (14th) day of arrival with the date of arrival being the first day. Foreign nationals shall be required to secure hotel reservations for at least six (6) days.
 - ii. Unvaccinated or partially vaccinated minor children traveling with their fully vaccinated parent/s or guardian/s shall be required to observe the quarantine protocols corresponding to their vaccination status. A parent/guardian shall accompany the child in the quarantine facility for the full term of the latter's facility-based quarantine period.
- 2.) All passengers, whether Filipinos or foreigners, merely transiting through a non- Green List country/jurisdiction/territory shall not be deemed as having come from or having been to said country/jurisdiction/territory if they stayed in the airport the whole time and were not cleared for entry into such country/jurisdiction/territory by its immigration authorities.
 - 3.) The Bureau of Quarantine (BOQ) shall ensure strict symptom monitoring while in the facility quarantine. If found positive, he/she shall follow the prescribed isolation protocols. Upon completion of such quarantine, the BOQ shall issue a Quarantine Certificate indicating therein the individual's vaccination status.
- C. "Yellow List" countries/jurisdictions/territories are those classified by the IATF as "Moderate Risk" countries/jurisdictions/territories, upon recommendation of the sub- Technical Working Group on Data Analytics. The protocols for "Yellow List" countries/territories/jurisdictions in all ports of entry in the Philippines shall be as follows:
- 1.) Fully vaccinated individuals coming from "Yellow" List countries/territories/jurisdictions need to undergo facility-based quarantine

until the release of their negative RT-PCR testing taken on the fifth (5th) day. After which, they shall be required to undergo home quarantine until their tenth (10th) day, with the day of arrival being the first day. The BOQ shall ensure strict symptom monitoring while in the facility. Foreign nationals shall be required to secure their own pre-booked accommodation of at least six (6) days;

- 2.) Unvaccinated, partially vaccinated or individuals whose vaccination status cannot be independently verified/confirmed by Philippine authorities as valid and authentic coming from “Yellow” List countries/territories/jurisdictions shall be required to undergo facility-based quarantine until the release of their negative RT-PCR testing taken on the seventh (7th) day. After which, they shall be required to undergo home quarantine until their fourteenth (14th) day, with the day of arrival being the first day. The BOQ shall ensure strict symptom monitoring while in the facility. Foreign nationals shall be required to secure their own pre-booked accommodation of at least eight (8) days;

D. “Red List” countries/jurisdictions/territories are those classified by the IATF as “High Risk” countries/jurisdictions/territories, upon recommendation of the sub-Technical Working Group on Data Analytics. The inbound international travel of all persons, regardless of vaccination status, coming from or who have been to “Red List” countries/jurisdictions/territories within the last fourteen (14) days prior to arrival to any port of the Philippines shall not be allowed. Only Filipinos returning to the country via government-initiated repatriation, non-government-initiated repatriation, and *Bayanihan* Flights may be allowed entry subject to the following entry, testing, and quarantine protocols:

- 1.) All arriving travelers shall undergo fourteen (14) day quarantine upon arrival. The first ten (10) days of which shall be observed in a quarantine facility, with the remainder to be completed under home quarantine in their respective local government units of destination;
- 2.) RT-PCR testing shall be conducted on the seventh (7th) day with Day 1 being the day of arrival. Notwithstanding a negative test result, the arriving traveler shall complete the facility-based quarantine period of ten (10) days;
- 3.) The BOQ shall ensure strict symptom monitoring while in the facility quarantine for ten (10) days;
- 4.) All passengers, whether Filipinos or foreigners, merely transiting through a Red List country/jurisdiction/territory shall not be deemed as having come from or having been to said country/jurisdiction/territory if they stayed in the airport the whole time and were not cleared for entry into such country/jurisdiction/territory by its immigration authorities;

5.) Upon arrival in the Philippines, passengers covered by the immediately preceding paragraph shall comply with existing testing and quarantine protocols.

E. For purposes of validating vaccination status, the following shall be observed:

1.) (a) For Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs) and their spouse, parent/s, and/or children traveling with them vaccinated in the Philippines or abroad, (b) non-OFWs vaccinated in the country or abroad, and (c) foreigners vaccinated in the Philippines - either their VaxCertPH digital vaccination certificate, BOQ/World Health Organization-issued International Certificate of Vaccination or Prophylaxis (ICV), or the national/state digital certificate of the foreign government where they were vaccinated, which has accepted VaxCertPH under a reciprocal arrangement unless otherwise permitted by the IATF.

2.) For foreigner nationals vaccinated abroad: WHO-issued ICV, or the national/state digital certificate of the foreign government which has accepted VaxCertPH under a reciprocal arrangement unless otherwise permitted by the IATF.

2. Attached, for reference, is the latest list of countries/jurisdictions/territories classified as "Green," "Yellow," and "Red" relative to IATF Resolution no. 144-A, series of 2021 dated 14 October 2021.

3. For information and guidance.

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Attachment

**List of Countries/Jurisdictions/Territories classified as
“Green,” “Yellow,” and “Red” relative to IATF Resolution no. 144-A,
series of 2021 dated 14 October 2021**

GREEN LIST		
Algeria	American Samoa	Bhutan
Burkina Faso	Cameroon	Cayman Islands
Chad	China (mainland)	Comoros
Republic of the Congo	Cook Islands	Eritrea
Falkland Islands (Malvinas)	Gibraltar	Hong Kong (Special Administrative Region of China)
Kiribati	Madagascar	Mali
Marshall Islands	Federated States of Micronesia	Montserrat
Nauru	New Zealand	Nicaragua
Niger	Niue	North Korea
Northern Mariana Islands	Palau	Poland
Saba (Special Municipality of the Kingdom of Netherlands)	Saint Helena	Saint Pierre and Miquelon
Samoa	Sierra Leone	Sint Eustatius
Solomon Islands	Sudan	Syria
Taiwan	Tajikistan	Tanzania
Tokelau	Tonga	Turkmenistan
Tuvalu	Uzbekistan	Vanuatu
Yemen		
RED LIST		
Romania		
YELLOW LIST		
<i>All other countries/jurisdictions/territories not otherwise listed hereinabove</i>		