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Travel Ban of All Travellers from Countries with Confirmed Cases of COVID-19 B117 Strain

Relative to the Memorandum from the Executive Secretary dated 29 December 2020 regarding the *Additional Measures to be Observed Relative to the SARS-COV-2 (B117) Variant Detected in the United Kingdom*, please be guided of the following revised guidelines, *to wit*:

A. The temporary suspension of flights from, and the **prohibition of entry on all travelers coming from or transiting through, the United Kingdom**, imposed pursuant to IATF Resolution No. 90 issued on 23 December 2020, is hereby extended **until January 15, 2021**, except as modified herein with respect to Filipino citizens;

B. All foreign travelers coming from, or transiting through, the countries / jurisdictions listed hereunder or who have been to the same within 14 days immediately preceding arrival in the Philippines, shall likewise be prohibited from entering the country **effective 0001H of 30 December 2020 until 15 January 2021**, to wit:

1. Denmark;
2. Ireland;
3. Japan;
4. Australia;
5. Israel;
6. The Netherlands;
7. Hong Kong, SAR;
8. Switzerland;
9. France;
10. Germany;
11. Iceland;
12. Italy;
13. Lebanon;
14. Singapore;
15. Sweden;
16. South Korea;
17. South Africa;
18. Canada; and
19. Spain.

C. Effective immediately, passengers who are already **in transit and arrive before 0001H of 30 December 2020 from** countries / jurisdictions listed in Paragraph B, including those who have been to the same countries/jurisdictions within 14 days immediately preceding arrival in the Philippines, shall not be prohibited from entering the Philippines, but shall be **required to undergo an absolute facility-based 14-day quarantine** period notwithstanding a negative Reverse Transcription – Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT-PCR) result.

D. Likewise effective immediately, Filipino citizens coming from the countries/jurisdictions mentioned in Paragraphs A and B, or who have been to the same within 14 days immediately preceding arrival in the Philippines, shall not be prohibited from entering the country, but shall be required to undergo an absolute facility-based 14-day quarantine period notwithstanding a negative RT-PCR result.

In view of the foregoing, all foreigners coming from or transiting through the above-mentioned countries, regardless of their visa category and previously issued endorsement/exemption shall not be allowed to enter the country during the duration of the travel ban.

Existing guidelines for arriving crew member/s shall still be observed.

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