

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 35, SERIES OF 2020

ESTABLISHING NEW GUIDELINES ON BORDER ENTRIES DURING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF EXTENDED MODIFIED GENERAL COMMUNITY QUARANTINE IN THE PROVINCE OF LA UNION

WHEREAS, on May 4, 2020, this Office issued Executive Order (EO) No. 19, series of 2020 based on the Omnibus Guidelines on Community Quarantine and its amending Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF) Resolutions;

WHEREAS, the IAT-EID issued Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of Community Quarantine in the Philippines with amendments as of October 8, 2020, IATF Resolution No. 79, Series of 2020, effectively amending some provisions of the Guidelines in the implementation of Community Quarantine in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, EO 34, series of 2020 dated October 23, 2020 was issued by this Office effectively repealing EO 19 as amended. However EO No. 34 did not include the amendments to the guidelines on border entries which under the pertinent provisions of the IATF Resolution No. 79, Series of 2020, the Local Government Units are given the authority to prescribe additional guidelines on checkpoints, provided said guidelines are submitted to the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG); and

WHEREAS, there is a need for the issuance of an Executive Order in order to set additional guidelines particularly on the requirements at Border Areas of the province during the implementation of the Extended Modified General Community Quarantine.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANCISCO EMMANUEL "PACOY" R. ORTEGA III, Governor of the Province of La Union, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the imposition of new guidelines on Border Entries during the implementation of Extended Modified General Community Quarantine in the province of La Union, with the following provisions:

<u>SECTION 1 - Interzonal and Intrazonal Movement; Re-defined.</u> Interzonal <u>movement</u> is the movement of people, goods and services between provinces, highly urbanized cities, and independent component cities under different community quarantine classification. For this purpose, the National Capital Region (NCR) shall be considered as one area. Provided that movements to and from areas under granular lockdowns shall be considered as interzonal movement even if within the same province or highly urbanized city.

On the other hand, **intrazonal movement** is the movement of people, goods and services between provinces, highly urbanized cities, and independent component cities under the same community quarantine classification, without transiting through an area placed under a different classification. For this purpose, the NCR shall be considered as one area.

SECTION 2 - Movement of Authorized Persons Outside their Residences

(APOR). The movement of the following APORs within and across areas placed under any form of community quarantine shall be permitted subject to Section 3 of this EO:

- a. health and emergency frontline services personnel;
- b. government officials and government frontline personnel;
- c. duly authorized humanitarian assistance actors (HAAs);
- d. persons traveling for medical or humanitarian reasons;
- e. persons going to the airport for travel abroad; and
- f. anyone crossing zones for work or business permitted in the zone of destination and going back home.

The following persons shall also be considered as APORs:

- a. Returning repatriated OFWs and other Overseas Filipinos (OFs) returning to their places of residence, and
- b. Other persons transported through the efforts of the national government upon observance of the necessary quarantine protocols and with the concurrence of the receiving LGUs.

Authorized shuttle services shall be allowed to travel within and across areas placed under any form of community quarantine, with priority given to persons rendering health and emergency frontline services.

SECTION 3 - Requirements on Border Entries for APORs. All APORs entering any of the established borders of the province shall be required to present the following:

3.1. Returning Residents

3.1.1. From Work or Business

- 3.1.1.1. LU Health Declaration Form or NAPANAM QR Code
- 3.1.1.2. Company ID or Certificate of Employment
- 3.1.1.3. Travel Order/Mission Order from company/government agency or any proof of official business with inclusive date of travel. In the case of delivery cargoes Delivery Manifests should be presented in border checkpoints.
- 3.1.1.4. If a resident is returning from MECQ or ECQ Areas Negative RT-PCR Test Results shall be presented. If none, the resident shall be confined at the LGU isolation facility for testing and isolation until the results of the test are released.

3.1.2. From Non-Official Travel

- 3.1.2.1. LU Health Declaration Form or NAPANAM QR Code
- 3.1.2.2. Company ID or Certificate of Employment
- 3.1.2.3. Travel Authority from PNP
- 3.1.2.4. Health Certificate from Local Health Office
- 3.1.2.5. If a resident is returning from MECQ or ECQ Areas, Negative RT-PCR Test Results shall be presented. If none, the resident shall be confined at the LGU isolation facility for testing and isolation until the results of the test are released.

3.2. Non-Resident entering the Province for Work or Business

- 3.2.1. LU Health Declaration Form or NAPANAM QR Code
- 3.2.2. Company ID or Certificate of Employment
- 3.2.3. Travel Order/Mission Order from company/government agency or any proof of official business with inclusive date of travel. In the case of delivery cargoes Delivery Manifests should be presented in border checkpoints.
- 3.2.4. If a non-resident is coming from MECQ or ECQ Areas, Negative RT-PCR Test Results shall be presented.

3.3. Health, Emergency and Government Frontline Personnel

- 3.3.1. LU Health Declaration Form or NAPANAM QR Code
- 3.3.2. Company ID or Certificate of Employment
- 3.3.3. Travel Order/Mission Order from company/government agency or any proof of official business with inclusive date of travel.

3.4. Humanitarian Assistance Actors

- 3.4.1. LU Health Declaration Form or NAPANAM QR Code
- 3.4.2. Company ID or Certificate of Employment
- 3.4.3. Travel Authority from PNP
- 3.4.4. Certification from Local Government Unit of Destination or Any Equivalent Document

3.5. Returning Overseas Filipino

- 3.5.1 LU Health Declaration Form or NAPANAM QR Code
- 3.5.2. Passport
- 3.5.3. Bureau of Quarantine Certificate
- 3.5.4. Negative RT-PCR results (issued within 3 days before actual arrival in La Union). If more than 3 days, ROF/OFW is considered LSI and shall present other necessary documents according to the preceding section.
- 3.5.5. If ROF presented the BOQ Certificate of Recovery in lieu of Negative RT-PCR results, ROF must be isolated in the LGU isolation facility for testing.

3.6. Persons traveling for medical reasons

- 3.6.1. LU Health Declaration Form or NAPANAM QR Code
- 3.6.2. Government issued ID
- 3.6.3. Proof of Appointment from Hospital of Destination or Any Equivalent Document

SECTION 4 - Movement of Persons Not Authorized Outside their Residences

(non-APORs). The INTERZONAL movement of non-APORs between areas placed under General Community Quarantine (GCQ) and MGCQ for any purpose shall be permitted subject to Section 5 of this EO.

The INTRAZONAL movement of non-APORs for any purpose across areas placed under GCQ and MGCQ for any purpose shall be permitted subject to Section 5 of this EO.

The INTERZONAL movement of non-APOR between areas placed under MGCQ and New Normal for any purpose shall be permitted subject to the regulations to be imposed.

All regulations on the movement of APORs and Non-APORs to be imposed by the component Local Government Units (LGUs) of the Province shall be submitted to the DILG.

SECTION 5 - Requirements on Border Entries for Non-APORs. All Non-APORs entering any of the established borders of the province shall be required to present the following:

5.1. Tourists

5.1.1. LU Health Declaration Form or any pass that may be required by the Department of Tourism(DOT)

- 5.1.2. Government Issued ID
- 5.1.3 Travel Authority from PNP
- 5.1.4 Negative RT-PCR or Antigen test results (within 3 days before actual arrival in La Union). If none, visiting tourists will not be allowed to enter the Province.
- 5.1.5. Booking Confirmation

5.2. Travelling for Personal Reason

- 5.2.1. LU Health Declaration Form or NAPANAM QR Code
- 5.2.2. Government Issued ID
- 5.2.3. Travel Authority from PNP
- 5.2.4 Health Certificate from Local Health Office
- 5.2.5 If a person is coming from MECQ or ECQ Areas Negative RT-PCR Test Results shall be presented.

SECTION 6 - Requirements on border entries for APORs or Non-APORs

passing through the province. All APORs and Non-APORs who are entering any of the established borders of the province and are only passing through shall be required to present the following:

6.1. Persons Passing Through

- 6.1.1. LU Health Declaration Form or NAPANAM QR Code
- 6.1.2. Travel Authority from PNP
- 6.1.3. Persons passing through La Union will be given a maximum of three (3) hours to cross border QCPs
- 6.1.4. If a person is returning from MECQ or ECQ Areas, a Medical Certificate should be presented.

SECTION 7 - Non-Essential Travel of Filipinos. Effective October 21, 2020, the restriction of non-essential travel of Filipinos shall be LIFTED, thus:

- a. Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs), students enrolled abroad and participants accepted in exchange visitor programs, permanent residents of foreign jurisdictions, and foreign nationals, may leave for abroad through any of the airports or seaports in the country.
- b. Outbound travel of Filipinos, regardless of purpose, may be allowed subject to compliance with the following requirements:
 - i. For those travelling on tourist visas, submission of confirmed roundtrip tickets and adequate travel and health insurance to cover travel disruptions and hospitalization in case of COVID-19 infections during their allowable period of stay abroad;
 - ii. Execution of Bureau of Immigration (BOI) Declaration acknowledging the risks involved in travelling, including risk of delay in their return trip, to be provided at the check-in counters by the airlines;
 - iii. As a pre-boarding requirement, a negative Antigen test result taken within 24 hours before departure, in accordance to the guidelines and protocols as may be issued by the Department of Health with regard its fair and appropriate use or, whenever required by the country of destination, a negative test result taken in accordance with the health and safety protocols of the destination country. Provided, that the undertaking of either test as appropriate shall be facilitated by the airline carrier; and
 - iv. Upon return, they shall follow the guidelines of the National Task Force (NTF) for Returning Overseas Filipinos.
- c. The foregoing provisions shall not be interpreted to allow outbound travel of Filipinos to countries where travel restrictions are in place; and finally, it is without prejudice to the exercise of the mandate of the BOI prior to departure.

Section 8. Repealing Clause - Executive Orders which are inconsistent with the foregoing are hereby revoked or repealed accordingly.

The guidelines contained herein shall be subject to amendments that may be issued by the National Government, the IATF-EID, and/or other concerned government agencies.

This Executive Order shall take effect on November 2, 2020 and shall remain in force unless the same is repealed and/or amended accordingly.

DONE this 4th day of November 2020 in the City of San Fernando, La Union.

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