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MANDATORY 14-DAY FACILITY QUARANTINE FOR ALL OFWS RETURNING TO THE PHILIPPINES

The Philippine Embassy informs the public that all Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs) returning to the Philippines, whether sea-based or land-based, are <u>required to undergo a 14-day facility quarantine upon arrival in the Philippines</u>. This is pursuant to the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infections Diseases (IATF) Resolution No. 23 dated 13 April 2020.

All arrangements regarding the mandatory 14-day facility quarantine will be facilitated and implemented by the Sub-Task Group (STG) for the Repatriation of the OFWs under the National Task Force (NTF) – Task Group on Response Operations.

The STG is chaired by the Department of Transportation, Co-Chaired by the Overseas Workers Welfare Administration, and with the following agencies as members: Department of Foreign Affairs, Department of Labor and Employment, Department of Health, Department of Interior and Local Government, Philippine National Police, Department of Tourism, Philippine Coast Guard, and the Bureau of Quarantine.

All concerned Philippine recruitment and manning agencies and their foreign principals are reminded to coordinate closely with appropriate Philippine government agencies and extend all possible assistance for the repatriation of OFWs.

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