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MEMORANDUM

TO: PORT OPERATIONS DIVISION (POD)

IMMIGRATION REGULATION DIVISION (IRD)

BAY SERVICE SECTION (BSS)

FROM: THE COMMISSIONER

SUBJECT: REVISED GUIDELINES PER IATF-MEID

RESOLUTION NO. 103, SERIES OF 2021

DATE : 19 MARCH 2021

Pursuant to Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-MEID) Resolution No. 103 Series of 2021 dated 18 March 2021, the following revised guidelines are hereby implemented, *to wit:*

1. Memorandum Circular No. 5, s. 2021 issued by National Task Force Against COVID-19 is adopted with modifications, as follows:

- a. **All Filipino citizens** whether returning Overseas Filipino or Overseas Filipino Worker **shall be allowed to return to the Philippines**;
- b. Effective 0001H March 22, 2021 to 2359H April 21, 2021, the entry of FOREIGN NATIONALS shall be temporarily suspended, except for the following:
 - Diplomats and members of international organizations, and their dependents provided they hold 9(e) visa or 47(a)(2), as the case may be, at the time of entry;
 - ii. Foreign nationals involved in medical repatriation duly endorsed by the Department of Foreign Affairs – Office of the Undersecretary for Migrant Workers Affairs and Overseas Workers Welfare Administration provided they have a valid visa at the time of entry;
 - iii. Foreign seafarers under the "Green Lanes" program for crew change provided they hold a **9(c) crew list visa** at the time of entry;
 - iv. Foreign spouses and children of Filipino citizens travelling with them provided they have valid visas at the time of entry; and

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v. Emergency, humanitarian, and other analogous cases approved by the Chairperson of the NTF COVID-19 or his duly authorized representative, provided the foreign nationals have valid visas at the time of entry.

IN VIEW THEREOF, please be guided by the following:

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- 1. ALL ARRIVING FILIPINO nationals shall be allowed entry;
- 2. Effective 0001H March 22, 2021 to 2359H April 21, 2021, ONLY the following FOREIGN nationals may be allowed entry, PROVIDED, they have a valid visa at the time of entry:

	Requirements
Diplomats and members of international organizations and their dependents	- 9(e) visa or 47(a)(2) visa
b. Foreign nationals involved in medical repatriation	DFA endorsementOWWA endorsementValid visa
c. Foreign seafarers	- 9(c) visa for crew change
d. Foreign spouses and children of Filipino nationals	Must be travelling with the Filipino nationalValid visa
e. Emergency, humanitarian and other analogous cases	 Approved by Chairperson, NTF COVID-19 or representative Valid visa

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

All of the foregoing is without prejudice to the exercise of the mandate of the Bureau of Immigration in Arrival and Departure Formalities.

For strict compliance.

Commissioner

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