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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 21-010
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AN ORDER ESTABLISHING MANDATORY PROTOCOLS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR TRAVELERS GOING TO THE PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL NORTE IN ACCORDANCE WITH IATF RESOLUTION NO. 101 DATED FEBRUARY 26, 2021

WHEREAS, the Department of Health received reports regarding a new variant of the SARS-CoV-2 (B.1.1.7 or VUI 2020/12/01) spreading in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (United Kingdom) and another variant identified in South Africa (501.V2);

WHEREAS, in view of the foregoing, the *Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-MEID)* issued *Resolution No. 101, s. 2021* which allows Local Government Unit (Unit) of destination (*province with respect to their municipalities and component cities, and highly urbanized cities [HUCs] and independent component cities [ICCs]*) to **require testing as a requirement prior to travel, and such shall be limited to RT-PCR;**

WHEREAS, there is now a need to supplement the aforementioned IATF Resolution No. 101 for the continued implementation of proactive measures to ensure the utmost protection of the people of this Province;

NOW THEREFORE, I, ATTY. FRANCISCO T. MATUGAS, Provincial Governor, this Province, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order as follows:

Section 1. Mandatory Travel Protocols and Requirements in Siargao Island Airport and Surigao City Airport. All passengers of aircrafts (whether commercial, chartered or private flights) going to this Province through Siargao Island Airport and Surigao City Airport shall present the following upon boarding at the airport of origin and upon arrival to this Province, to wit:

a.) For Surigao del Norte residents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Negative Result on RT-PCR Test or Negative Result on COVID-19 Saliva Test taken within forty eight (48) hours or two (2) days from the date of release of the result; and • Valid Identification Card or any proof of residency in Surigao del Norte.
b.) For Government Authorized Persons Outside Residence (APOR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Negative Result on RT-PCR Test or Negative Result on COVID-19 Saliva Test taken within forty eight (48) hours or two (2) days from the date of release of the result; • Valid Identification Card; and • Travel/Mission Order issued by the Chief of Office.

c.) For Nonresident Private APOR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Negative Result on RT-PCR Test or Negative Result on COVID-19 Saliva Test taken within forty eight (48) hours or two (2) days from the date of release of the result; • Valid Identification Card; and • Confirmed Booking of Accommodation for at least two (2) nights from the resort, hotel or hostel duly accredited by the Department of Tourism.
d.) For Tourists invited by local resident of Surigao del Norte	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Negative Result on RT-PCR Test or Negative Result on COVID-19 Saliva Test taken within forty eight (48) hours or two (2) days from the date of release of the result; • Valid Identification Card; and • Travel Certification issued by the Mayor of the City/Municipality of destination (within the Province of Surigao del Norte),
e.) For Tourists not invited by local residents of Surigao del Norte (Walk-in tourists)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Negative Result on RT-PCR Test or Negative Result on COVID-19 Saliva Test taken within forty eight (48) hours or two (2) days from the date of release of the result; • Valid Identification Card; and • Confirmed Booking of Accommodation for at least two (2) nights from the resort, hotel or hostel duly accredited by the Department of Tourism.

Section 2. Mandatory Travel Protocols and Requirements in Seaports and Other Points of Entry. Travelers going to this Province by *sea* (through *Eva Macapagal Passenger Terminal, Lipata Ferry Terminal as well as Ports of Dapa, Del Carmen, San Benito, Sta Monica, Socorro and such other seaports within this Province*) or by *land* (through the *Municipalities of Alegria, Claver and Mainit, all of this Province*) shall follow the following mandatory protocols and requirements:

a.) For Surigao del Norte residents and Government APORs	The protocols and requirements issued by the component City/Municipality of destination within this Province shall govern and should be followed.
b.) For Nonresident Private APOR and Tourists not invited by local residents of Surigao del Norte (Walk-in tourists)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Negative Result on RT-PCR Test or Negative Result on COVID-19 Saliva Test taken within forty eight (48) hours or two (2) days from the date of release of the result; • Valid Identification Card; and • Confirmed Booking of Accommodation for at least two (2) nights from the resort, hotel or hostel duly accredited by the Department of Tourism. <p>If the travel is by sea, the aforementioned documentary requirements shall be presented upon boarding at the port of origin and upon arrival to this Province. On the other hand, if the travel is by land, the aforementioned documentary requirements shall be presented upon demand at any of the checkpoints within this Province.</p>

<p>c.) For Tourists invited by local resident of Surigao del Norte</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Negative Result on RT-PCR Test or Negative Result on COVID-19 Saliva Test taken within forty eight (48) hours or two (2) days from the date of release of the result; • Valid Identification Card; and • Travel Certification issued by the Mayor of the City/Municipality of destination (within the Province of Surigao del Norte). <p>If the travel is by sea, the aforementioned documentary requirements shall be presented upon boarding at the port of origin and upon arrival to this Province. On the other hand, if the travel is by land, the aforementioned documentary requirements shall be presented upon demand at any of the checkpoints within this Province.</p>
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Section 3. Quarantine. No traveler shall be required to undergo quarantine unless they exhibit symptoms upon arrival at the LGU of destination.

Section 4. Incorporation Clause. All other provisions of the aforementioned **IATF Resolution No. 101, s. 2021** are hereby adopted and made an integral part hereof.

Section 5. Enforcement. The concerned City/Municipal and Barangay Officials, Philippine National Police, Philippine Army, Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines, Philippine Ports Authority, Philippine Coast Guard and Provincial Tourism Office are hereby directed to strictly enforce this Order.

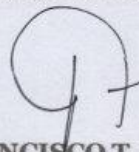
Section 6. Public Information. The Public Information Center shall cause the widest dissemination of this Executive Order through local radio stations (AM & FM), local newspapers, and the social media.

Section 7. Repealing Clause. All provisions of prior orders, rules and regulations inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 8. Separability Clause. Should any provision or part of this Executive Order be declared unconstitutional or invalid, all the other provisions not otherwise affected shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 9. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately, and that maybe supplemented by succeeding memoranda.

Done this 7th day of March 2021 at the Kapitolyo Nan Siargao, Dapa, Surigao del Norte, Philippines.



ATTY. FRANCISCO T. MATUGAS
Provincial Governor