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**CUSTOMS MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR**  
**NO. 36-2021**

To: The Assistant Commissioner  
All Deputy Commissioners  
All Directors and Division Chiefs  
All District/Port Collectors  
And Others Concerned

**SUBJECT: Travel Restrictions Relative to the SARS-COV-2 Variants**


Attached is the Memorandum dated February 03, 2021 from Mr. Alvin P. Diaz, Director IV, Central Administration Office, Department of Finance, endorsing a copy of Memorandum from Executive Secretary dated 26 January 2021 entitled:

***"INCLUSION OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC IN THE LIST OF COUNTRIES/JURISDICTIONS SUBJECTED TO TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS RELATIVE TO THE SARS-COV-2 VARIANTS."***

For your information and guidance.

For record purposes, please confirm the dissemination of this circular throughout your offices within fifteen (15) days from receipt hereof.

**REY LEONARDO B. GUERRERO**

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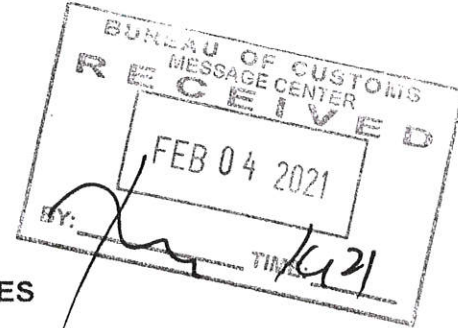


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**MEMORANDUM**

FOR : **HEADS OF OFFICES**  
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Department of Finance

FROM : **ALVIN P. DIAZ**  
Director IV  
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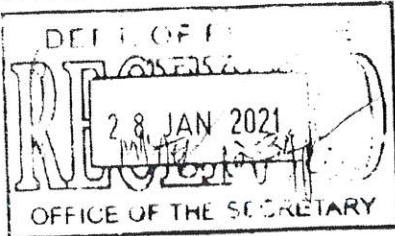
SUBJECT : **INCLUSION OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC IN THE LIST OF COUNTRIES/JURISDICTIONS SUBJECTED TO TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS RELATIVE TO THE SARS-COV-2 VARIANTS**

DATE : February 3, 2021

Attached for information and guidance is a copy of Memorandum from Executive Secretary Salvador C. Medialdea, Office of the President dated 26 January 2021 on the above-captioned subject.



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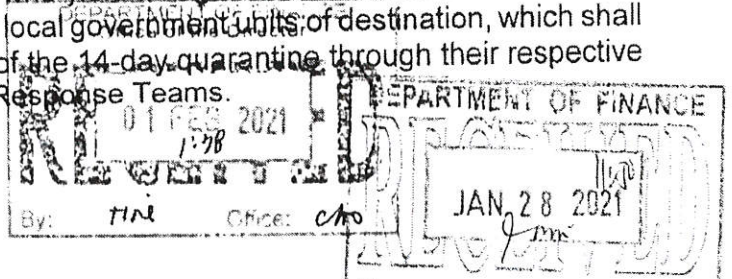
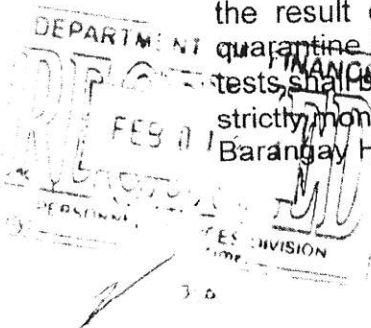
MEMORANDUM FROM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

FOR : THE CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF)
SUBJECT : INCLUSION OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC IN THE LIST OF COUNTRIES/JURISDICTIONS SUBJECTED TO TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS RELATIVE TO THE SARS-COV-2 VARIANTS
DATE : JAN 26 2021

With reference to the joint recommendation of the Department of Health and the Department of Foreign Affairs dated 25 January 2021, submitted pursuant to the Memorandum from the Executive Secretary dated 29 December 2020, relative to the SARS-CoV-2 variant (B.1.1.7 or VUI 2020/12/01) first detected in the United Kingdom (UK variant), this Office hereby directs all relevant agencies to implement the following:

I. Inclusion of the Czech Republic among the countries/jurisdictions subject to travel restrictions

- A. Foreign passengers coming from or who have been to the Czech Republic within 14 days immediately preceding arrival in the Philippines shall be prohibited from entering the country effective 0001H of 28 January 2021 Manila time until 31 January 2021.
B. Effective immediately, foreign passengers coming from or who have been to the Czech Republic within 14 days immediately preceding arrival in the Philippines, arriving before 0001H of 28 January 2021 Manila time, shall not be prohibited from entering the Philippines.
C. Likewise effective immediately, Filipino citizens coming from or who have been to the Czech Republic within 14 days immediately preceding arrival in the Philippines, including those arriving after 0001H of 28 January 2021 Manila time, shall not be prohibited from entering the country.
D. Conformably with IATF Resolution No. 95 (s. 2021), passengers referred to in paragraphs B and C of this Memorandum shall undergo Reverse Transcription-Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT-PCR) test upon arrival and quarantined until the result of a subsequent RT-PCR test administered on the fifth day of quarantine is released. Those who yield a negative result from both COVID-19 tests shall be endorsed to their local government units of destination, which shall strictly monitor the remainder of the 14-day quarantine through their respective Barangay Health Emergency Response Teams.



E. Filipino and foreign passengers merely transiting through the Czech Republic shall be covered by the rules as provided in paragraph II of the Memorandum from the Executive Secretary dated 31 December 2020.

Existing prohibitions and procedures on entry generally applicable to arriving passengers, insofar as consistent with the foregoing, shall continue to be implemented.

The IATF may provide rules and regulations to implement this and related directives, which may include reasonable exceptions to the entry restrictions and protocols imposed by this Office in relation to the UK and South African variants.

For strict compliance.

By authority of the President:

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SALVADOR C. MEDIALDEA  
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