

[**MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 87, August 03, 2021**]

ESTABLISHING THE ON-SITE CAPACITY TO BE OBSERVED BY GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND INSTRUMENTALITIES IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION FOR THE PERIOD OF 06 TO 20 AUGUST 2021

WHEREAS, there has been a noticeable increase in COVID-19 cases and an alarming increase in the daily number of COVID-19 B.1.617 (Delta) variant cases in the country for the past few days;

WHEREAS, as of 01 August 2021, there are a total of Sixty-Three Thousand Six Hundred Forty Six (63, 646) active COVID-19 cases in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, as of 28 July 2021, the Philippines has detected a total of 216 Delta variant cases in the country, forty seven (47) of which are from the National Capital Region (NCR);

WHEREAS, in order to address the current upward trend in COVID-19 cases, the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases, with the approval of the President, placed NCR under Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ) from 06 to 20 August 2021;

WHEREAS, the Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of Community Quarantine in the Philippines, as amended (Omnibus Guidelines), provides for the on-site capacities of establishments, industries, and sectors, including government agencies and instrumentalities in areas under the different quarantine classifications;

WHEREAS, the Omnibus Guidelines provides that instrumentalities and agencies of the government shall be fully operational under ECQ, with only a skeleton workforce permitted to report on-site and the remainder under alternative work arrangements, unless a higher on-site capacity is required in agencies providing health and emergency frontline services, laboratory and testing services, border control, or other critical services;

WHEREAS, there is a need to ensure the continuous delivery of public services during the ECQ period in NCR;

NOW, THEREFORE, the following are hereby ordered:

Section 1. Government remains in full operation. During the period of 06 to 20 August 2021, government agencies and instrumentalities in the NCR shall remain fully operational even as the region is placed under ECQ, subject to the on-site capacity and work-from-home arrangements authorized herein.