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SUBJECT: Full implementation of the e-Travel Customs System

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The public is informed about the full implementation of the e-Travel Customs System in the following Philippine international airports, in partnership with the Bureau of Customs (BOC) and the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT):

- 1. Ninoy Aquino International Airport;
- 2. Puerto Princesa International Airport;
- 3. Kalibo International Airport;
- 4. Caticlan International Airport;
- 5. Mactan-Cebu International Airport;
- 6. Bohol International Airport;
- 7. Francisco Bangoy International Airport;
- 8. Clark International Airport; and
- 9. Laoag International Airport.

Please be guided by the following e-Travel Customs System reminders:

- All arriving and departing passengers can now fill-out the electronic Customs Baggage Declaration Form (e-CBDF) and electronic Currencies Declaration Form (e-CDF), as applicable, at the e-Travel website at https://etravel.gov.ph/ or by downloading the eGovPH application within 72 hours prior to arrival or departure from the Philippines.
- For seamless travel clearance, one QR code shall also be used in the e-Travel System starting **10 May 2024**.
- Upon arrival or before departure, passengers shall present their passport to the Immigration Officer for e-Travel registration confirmation, and the QR Code to the Customs Officer for clearance. Paper forms of the CBDF and CDF shall still be made available at the Customs Area for passengers who have failed to access the e-Travel website before arrival into or departure from the Philippines.
- The BOC reiterates its strict implementation of the following rules on crossborder transfer of currencies:
 - a. Any person who brings into or takes out of the Philippines, foreign currency in excess of USD10,000.00 or its equivalent, is required to declare the whole amount brought into or taken out of the Philippines in the e-CDF.

- b. For Philippine currency, a person may bring into or take out of the Philippines an amount not exceeding PHP50,000.00. Amounts in excess of the limit shall require: (a) prior written authorization from the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP); and (b) declaration of the whole amount in the e-CDF.
- c. The BSP, however, allows cross-border transfer of local currency in excess of the limit only for the following purposes: (a) Testing/calibration/configuration of money counting/sorting machines; (b) Numismatics (collection of currency); and (c) Currency awareness.
- d. False declaration of Non-Declaration of Philippine or Foreign Currencies and monetary instruments will result in confiscation by Customs authorities.

For information and guidance.

