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MEMORANDUM

TO : All Regional Directors
Jail Wardens

ATTN : BJMP National, BJMPRO, and Jail COVID 19 Task Forces

SUBJECT : BJMP COVID 19 Advisory #2:
PROVISION OF INITIAL SCREENING AREA IN JAIL FACILITY

DATE : MAR 14 2020

I. References:

1. Presidential Proclamation No. 922 Declaring a State of Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines dated March 8, 2020;
2. BJMP OPLAN on the 2019 Novel Corona Virus dated March 10, 2020; and
3. Precautionary Measures re: COVID-19 dated March 10, 2020.

II. Issues, Concerns and Implications:

4. Continuous transfer of PDL from PNP lock-up cells and other agencies' custodial centers to the BJMP despite the State of Emergency related to COVID-19.
5. Commitment/Admission procedures (new commitment) are not halted by the court.

III. Recommended Actions:

6. The Jail unit is advised to designate a space before the entrance of the facility and designate it as an Initial Screening Area for new commitment/admission procedures.
7. Materials needed:
 - Table and chairs
 - Improvised barrier (like clear/transparent plastic cover supported by wood in the corner) to serve as a counter
 - Tent or "lona"/umbrella to protect both our personnel and person for commitment from the weather (Annex A)
 - Thermal scanner is better than thermometer (to limit social contact)
 - Screening questionnaire for COVID-19 (Annex B)
8. All precautionary measures should be observed
 - Social distancing
 - Face mask for the protection of both the infected and not infected
 - Use of gloves and hand sanitation using alcohol/sanitizer or proper hand washing
 - Disinfection of the table and chair after every use of PDL

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9. Refer to SOP on commitment procedures related to COVID-19 crisis.
10. Please be guided accordingly.

BY AUTHORITY OF THE CHIEF, BJMP:

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