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<p>Disseminating herewith are the unnumbered Memoranda from the OIC Undersecretary for Administrative Service of the Department of Transportation dated 14 November 2019 and the Acting Department Manager of Port Police Department, PPA Head Office dated 26 November 2019 relating to TSAA 2019-12 issued by the Administrator of Office for Transportation Security dated 5 November 2019 citing therein the terror threats to transport security and the possible terrorist attack of ISIS group due to the holding of 30th Southeast Asian Games in the country.</p> <p>In view hereof, all ports under PMO MOC are advised to be vigilant and implement target hardening measures. Further, security level of all ports directly and administratively under the jurisdiction of PMO MOC shall remain at Security Level 1 with Enhanced Security Measures.</p> <p>For information, guidance and ready reference.</p>	
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November 26, 2019

MEMORANDUM

FOR : All Port Managers

Attn : All Station Commanders

FROM : The Acting Department Manager
Port Police Department

SUBJECT : **Transportation Security Alert Advisory 2019 on Terror Threats to Transport**

Reference:

1. Memorandum from DoTR dated 14 November 2019.
2. Memorandum from OTS dated 5 November 2019.

This refers to the abovementioned references forwarded by the Department of Transportation (DoTR) and recommended by the Office for Transportation Security (OTS) on terror threats and possible terrorist attack of ISIS group on the holding of the 30th Southeast Asian Games as the host country.

As such, all seaports in Metro Manila, Luzon, the Visayas and Mindanao will remain under SECURITY LEVEL 1, WITH ENHANCED SECURITY as set by the OTS.

You are also advised to implement all safety and security measures and enhanced security/target hardening measures within your area of responsibility.

For information and guidance.


PPSUPT GENARO P MANCIO JR.

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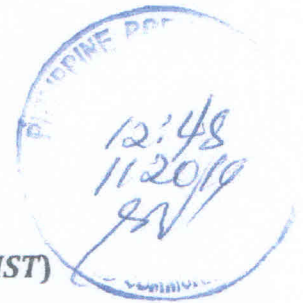
- a. Memorandum from DoTR dated 14 November 2019;
- b. Memorandum from OTS dated 05 November 2019

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Republic of the Philippines
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



MEMORANDUM

For : **(PLEASE SEE ATTACHED DISTRIBUTION LIST)**

From : **ATTY. ARTEMIO U. TUAZON JR.**
OIC Undersecretary for Administrative Service

Subject : **TRANSPORTATION SECURITY ALERT ADVISORY
2019-12 ON TERROR THREATS TO TRANSPORT
SECURITY**

Date : **14 November 2019**

This refers to the Transportation Security Alert Advisory 2019-12 dated 05 November 2019 from the Office for Transportation Security (OTS) in relation to the gathered reports from previous issued TSAA 2019-11. A copy of the said document is attached for your perusal.

You are respectfully reminded to closely monitor the implementation of all safety and security measures in the administration of your structures/facilities as well as in screening of private and public equipment accessed within your respective sectors as further recommended by OTS and to prevent any terrorist attack of ISIS Members on the holding of the 30th Southeast Asian Games.

Please ensure that necessary channels of communication remain open and available at all times; for all security units to be vigilant in the discharge of their duties.

Considering the sensitive nature of the document, it is advised that communications pertaining to this matter be classified as **strictly confidential** and respectfully request the limit circulation of the information on a need-to-know basis to necessary offices, units and/or personnel.

For your strict compliance.


ATTY. ARTEMIO U. TUAZON JR. m

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2019-12 ON TERROR THREATS TO TRANSPORT SECURITY

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1. References:

- a. TSAA 2019-11; and,
- b. Reports from confidential and open sources

2. Security Threat Situation:

- a. ISIS members reaffirmed their allegiance to continue fighting after the death of its leader Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi. Southeast Asia has long been an important focus for ISIS. In the Philippines, ISIS has claimed responsibility for four (4) suicide bombings since July 2018, after fighting its toughest battle when it seeks to establish its stronghold in Marawi in 2017. The Philippines, Indonesia and Malaysia braces for retaliation by ISIS loyalists including "lone wolf" attacks by locals radicalized by the terror group's powerful online propaganda. DND said ISIS remains capable and dangerous and its influence has taken a hold among unschooled Muslim youth in Mindanao. Counter Extremism Project executive director David Ibsen said the terror group would use al-Baghdadi's death as an opportunity to expand its online presence and build alliances. There is much more to be desired to address terrorism and extremism, a concrete step in this regard, despite the death of al-Baghdadi with the changing nature of war. ISIS is not yet over because it still has a strong ecosystem of ardent supporters of its cause including in the Philippines. The group's ideology will endure beyond al-Baghdadi thus the threat it poses remains stable. ISIS had already moved its mandate for its followers to a "do-it-yourself" style of jihad, and further inspired by "pro-ISIS" thinkers/jihadists who have access to its online propaganda.
- b. Be that as it may, ISIS has already built a legacy in the country it needed to in order to rally around itself, and Baghdadi leaves behind a jihad strategy that will not end with him. Former Al-Qaeda's Southeast Asian arm Sofyan Tsauri said that the aim of ISIS in the region is to bring down its secular governments, a strategy it called its "grand agenda." Tsauri said it plans to bring together all the Southeast Asian countries under a caliphate with the southern Philippines as the capital.
- c. The killing of al-Baghdadi closely coincides with the holding of the 30th Southeast Asian Games in the country. Although there were no reported specific plans to attack the event, it could be seen as a highly attractive target by ISIS to redeem its setback and to seek new territory. It should be noted that the group of ASG leader Hajan Sawadjaan recently renewed their pledge of allegiance to ISIS. The group of Sawadjaan was responsible for at least four suicide attacks in the county since July 2018, making him a more viable leader for the ISIS-Philippines. The message of the demised ISIS leader in Tagalog version emboldened Daesh-inspired LTGs to


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operationalize plans to conduct bombings in key cities and urban areas including Metro Manila. Also, there have been reports of presence of foreign nationals in the country, possibly as sleeper cells. Although, LTGs remain confined to their strongholds in Mindanao, their possible presence and supporters in the areas of the SEAG venues cannot be discounted.

3. In the light of the possible threat to the transportation system of the country, OTS Transportation Security Levels for November 2019 remain as follows:

SECURITY LEVELS	TRANSPORTATION SECTOR
SECURITY CONDITION (SECCO) 2	All airports in Metro Manila, Luzon, the Visayas and Mindanao
SECURITY LEVEL 1, WITH ENHANCED SECURITY	All seaports in Metro Manila, Luzon, the Visayas and Mindanao
ELEVATED/ENHANCED SECURITY MEASURES	All land mass transportation facilities in Metro Manila, Luzon, the Visayas and Mindanao

4. In this regard, the following enhanced security/target-hardening measures are recommended to be implemented:
- a. Stringent security screening and tighter access control measures for persons, bags and vehicles, especially with the end in view of thwarting any possible suicide attack;
 - b. Deployment of more security personnel and K9 units, especially at the perimeter or landside areas, and employment of unpredictable methods and utilization of security equipment for frequent/random inspections;
 - c. Deployment of quick-response units for emergency security situations;
 - d. Enhancement of background checks/counterintelligence efforts to neutralize insider risks that may be exploited by terrorists to smuggle explosive devices into the facility or sabotage its operations;
 - e. Implementation of other contingency measures to detect or deter, delay or dilute any terrorist threat; and,
 - f. Coordination with intelligence/security units for the purpose of continually monitoring and assessing the threats to the security of the transportation systems of the country.
5. For information and feedback.


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