

Republic of the Philippines Supreme Court Office of the Court Administrator Manila

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 149-2020

TO: ALL JUDGES OF THE FIRST AND SECOND LEVEL COURTS NATIONWIDE

RE: SUSPENSION OF COMMITMENT ORDERS FOR THE TRANSFER OF PERSONS DEPRIVED OF LIBERTY TO THE DIFFERENT JAIL FACILITIES

Considering that the country remains to be in different levels of Community Quarantine due to the COVID19 pandemic, OCA Circular No. 121-2020, which suspended the issuance of commitment orders for newly arrested Persons Deprived of Liberty (PDLs) to the local Bureau of Jail Management and Penology (BJMP) jail units unless the said BJMP jail units are already able to admit newly arrested PDLs, and OCA Circular No. 125-2020, which suspended the issuance of commitment orders for convicted PDLs to the Bureau of Corrections, are **BOTH HEREBY EXTENDED** until 30 September 2020.

For the guidance and compliance of all concerned.

1 September 2020

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