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**NATIONAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**

National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Center, Camp Aguinaldo, Quezon City, Philippines

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**MEMORANDUM**  
**No. 140, s. 2023**

**FOR : DOTr, CAAP, PCG, BFAR, DILG, DENR-NAMRIA  
RDRRMCs I and II**

**SUBJECT : ADVISORY ON PRC ROCKET LAUNCH**

Source: Philippine Space Agency (PhilSA)

The People's Republic of China (PRC) is scheduled to launch the LONG MARCH 7A (CZ-7A) from the Wenchang Spacecraft Launch Site in Wenchang, Hainan sometime 03-04 November 2023, 2246-0109 PhST. Parts of this LONG MARCH 7A (CZ-7A) rocket are expected to drop within the identified drop zone which is approximately 47 NM away from Burgos, Ilocos Norte and 37 NM away from Sta Ana, Cagayan.

The risk of untoward incidents and damage from falling rocket debris within Philippine territory is relatively low. However, PhilSA recommends actions related to air and marine access out of an abundance of caution from 03-04 November 2023, 2246-0109 PhST.

- a) **DOTr CAAP** to sustain the enforcement of no-fly zones within the affected areas during the affected dates
- b) **PCG, BFAR, DILG, and DENR-NAMRIA** are advised to consider temporary restrictions and the issuance of Notice to Mariners, Coastal Navigational Warnings or NAVAREA XI warnings, as applicable, in the identified drop zones to ensure the safety of the public on the waters near the drop zones.

**The estimated drop zone coordinates are as follows**

<b>DROP ZONE 1</b>	<b>DROP ZONE 2</b>
19 23 00N 122 50 00E	19 43 00N 118 33 00E
19 19 00N 123 49 00E	19 00 00N 119 57 00E
18 45 00N 123 47 00E	19 00 00N 119 57 00E
18 50 00N 122 48 00E	19 04 00N 118 30 00E
19 23 00N 122 50 00E	19 43 00N 118 33 00E

PhilSA cautions everyone against retrieving or coming in close proximity to these materials to minimize risk from remnants of toxic substances such as rocket fuel. Personnel protective equipment (PPE) is recommended when contact with the debris is necessary.

The public is advised to immediately inform local authorities of any suspected debris sighted at sea or land.

For guidance and strict compliance.

For the Executive Director, NDRRMC:



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