



MEMORANDUM
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**FOR : PCG, BFAR, DILG, DENR-NAMRIA,
RDRRMCs II and V**

**SUBJECT : ADVISORY ON ROCKET LAUNCH OF THE LONG
MARCH 4B BY THE PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA**

Source: Philippine Space Agency (PhilSA)

The People's Republic of China is scheduled to launch the Long March 4B from the Xichang Satellite Launch Center in Liangshan Yi Autonomous Prefecture, Sichuan, sometime between 0916H - 0943H on 3 September 2024. Parts of this Long March 4B rocket are expected to drop within the identified drop zone which is approximately 243 NM away from Philippine Rise and 318 NM away from Panay Island, Catanduanes.

In this connection, the following actions are recommended related to Marine Access out of an abundance of caution between 0916H - 0943H on 3 September 2024:

- a) **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..
- b) Concerned **RDRRMCs II and V** are required to continue monitoring and submit updates on this event.

The estimated drop zone coordinates and summary of information are as follows:

DROP ZONE 1	DROP ZONE 2	DROP ZONE 3
OUTSIDE Manila Flight Information Region (FIR)	OUTSIDE Manila Flight Information Region (FIR)	17 25 00N 129 38 00E 16 56 00N 129 22 00E 17 22 00N 128 33 00E 17 50 00N 128 49 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.

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