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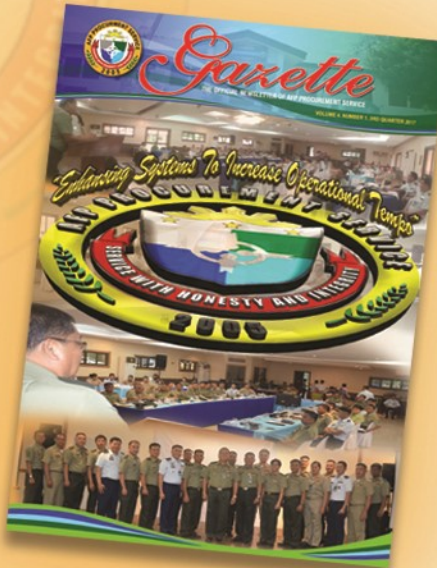


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The cover highlights this issue's theme of **"Enhancing Systems to Increase Operational Tempo"** — AFPPS' commitment to tread a steady path towards attaining the vision of quality service which adheres to continual improvement through good governance with competent military and civilian personnel targeting a modernized procurement service.

This issue introduces the new Automated Procurement Processing, Monitoring and Information System (APPMIS) and the Document Tracking System (DTS) as some of the system improvements being deployed by the Service. It also bears the general and specific guidance given by Commander, AFPPS during the conduct of the Semi-Annual Command Conference to serve as an enabling mechanism to ensure that current plans, programs and activities of the Service are in line with its strategic plans.

Guided by its core values of Respect, Integrity & Honesty, Teamwork, and Excellence personnel of the Service vows to enhance its capabilities and bring it closer to the goal of procurement efficiency for its catered units to enjoy the benefits of security of supply, lower costs, reduced risk, improved quality, greater added value, increased efficiency and innovation.



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AFPPS Launches the Automated Procurement Processing, Monitoring and Information System (APPMIS)

Automation is the use of control systems to control processes, reducing the need for human intervention. Putting this into context, **automation is having technology do things for you so that you don't have to.** Automation is all around us. The advantages are clear. If every time you check your e-mails, all the messages had been sorted into folders before you log on. You save time that you would have previously spent. If your Twitter account posts a message every time you update your website, you save time because you don't need to do it yourself. If you spend an hour a day doing small tasks like these, you're wasting a considerable amount of time. Automating tasks will allow you to be able to work on what you consider is important. All you have to worry about is the technology working.

Under the leadership of Commander, AFP Procurement Service, **BRIGADIER GENERAL ERNESTO T LOPENA AFP**, the Service introduced and launched the Automated Procurement Processing, Monitoring and Information System or APPMIS during its Semi-Annual Command Conference held last 31 August 2017.

Brief History / Background of Automation in the AFPPS

On the 12th of July, 2014, 302nd Contracting Office first conceptualized and initiated an Automation Project for the monitoring of procurement transactions it handled for its catered units. This was the start of the automation process in the AFP Procurement Service.

That project led to the Service launching the Electronic Procurement Monitoring Information System or EPMIS on October of 2015. It was a web-based application developed to serve as a focal point for the AFPPS, its Procurement Centers and Contracting Offices to process, manage and monitor procurement services.

The benefits that were derived from the System includes: improved quality, governance and reliability; streamlined work and improved workflow leading to shortened processing time; boosted productivity; tracked progress of procurement transactions; reduced errors; enforced standards and accountability among others. With the System, PCs and COs

were able to deal with high volume requests.

There were three (3) versions that was released by the proponent for the purpose of enhancing its functionalities. However, implementation of the latest version led to a number of issues that the system administrator were hard pressed to address. The unreconciled issues led to the system being shut down on 20 April 2017.

Given the benefits being derived by the Service from such a system, the Office of the Acting Assistant Chief of Staff for Communications, Electronics and Information Systems, PS6 researched and canvassed for other IT companies who can design a similar one; deploy it; improve on it through inputs coming from the different users / beneficiaries (PCs / COs / BAC Secs / catered units) – this was done thru a survey conducted by the Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Operations, PS3; and provide hosting and consulting services.

APPMIS mirrors the EPMIS albeit with improved system functionalities and enhanced features for better connectivity, reliability, user collaboration and decision-making. Some of its enhancements include:

- Web connectivity using the latest web technologies;
- Rapid information sharing;
- Real-time monitoring of changes and updates;
- Messaging service;
- Server upgrade to fully enable enhanced features;
- Optimized and automatic data archiving and back-up;
- Fast data querying and filtering; and
- Security features (encryption, user-level access, etc.).

Following a set protocol of research, design, test and deployment for system institutionalization; the new System was initially deployed at Philippine Navy Procurement Center, GHQ Bids and Awards Committee, GHQ Procurement Center and Headquarters AFPPS for beta testing.

After months of research, development, consultations and tests, the Service is happy and proud to present another milestone in its history. It is hoped that the APPMIS will revolutionize the way the Service conducts its procurement operations to the benefit of its catered units.

The Document Tracking System

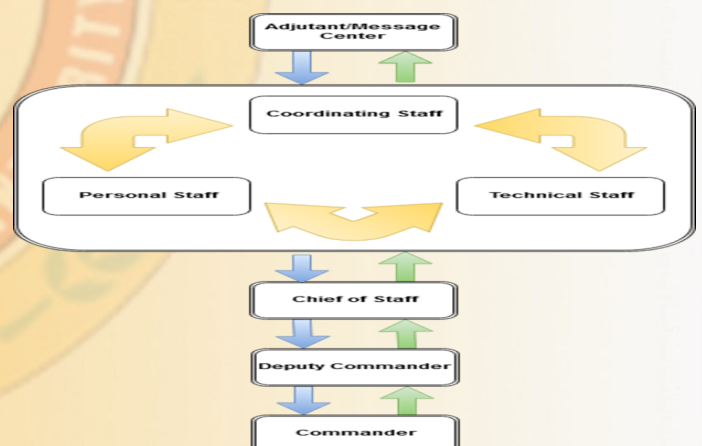
Organizing and locating documents is easier said than done. It is a challenging task especially if we are receiving and dispatching hundreds of pages of documents each day. Safekeeping these documents can sometimes be unruly especially if we are having a traditional filing system. It is on this basis that AFPPS leveraged technology and upgraded its document storage facility and streamlined its monitoring system by deploying the Document Tracking System or DTS.

DTS is a stand-alone application designed to provide users a centralized, secure, and easily accessible location to store, transmit, review, retrieve and dispose documents. Managed by the unit Adjutant, it follows a process flow where documents are received and dispatched through the Message Center (MC). The MC scans the documents and determines which office / staff has purview and notifies them to either retrieve the digitized documents for dispositive action or transmit same to other staff offices prior endorsement of the Deputy Commander thru the Chief of Staff and approval / notation of the Commander AFPPS. Once documents have been processed, these will be transmitted back to the MC thru concerned staff before being dispatched to offices / units outside the Service.

Here are some of the advantages to using a DTS: (1) **Quick Retrieval** — digitized documents are easy to access and locate. It will take less than a minute for authorized personnel to locate and access files, that previously took 10 to 15 or more; (2) **Security** — DTS can only be accessed and controlled by a authorized personnel who all have password protected accounts. This will ensure that the data and other information

being stored and transmitted are protected; and lastly, (3) **Future Recovery** — DTS has a back up system. This will guarantee that documents are stored in back up folders for easy recovery in case of a system shutdown and to prevent loss and damage of these documents.

Using the DTS will surely help improve efficiency of AFPPS filing system and accessibility of its files.



Process Flow of the Document Tracking System .

Commander's Corner



- Conducted the Senior Officers Procurement Orientation Seminar or SOPOS to key officers of Unified Commands, Key Budgetary Units, AFP Wide Separate and Support Units and members of the GHQ Special Bids and Awards Committee;

- Prepared and successfully defended our Annual Procurement Plan (APP) for Calendar Year 2018. I am happy to report that our APP was approved by the Vice Chief of Staff, AFP last 30 August 2017.

- Crafted and implemented a specific policy that will codify the skills training of all personnel who are undergoing On-the-Job-Training on procurement operations; and

- Launched our Automated Procurement Processing, Monitoring and Information System or APPMIS. A mirror of the Electronic Procurement Monitoring Information System or EPMIS albeit with improved system functionalities and enhanced features for better connectivity, reliability, user collaboration and decision-making.

This semester, we intend to follow through and maintain the momentum by continuing the improvement of our systems and processes to enhance operational effectiveness and increase operational tempo. These would be critical in our upcoming major activities such as:

- The conduct of the SOPOS for those directly involved in the procurement process to institutionalize AFP procurement processes and procedures;

- Familiarization on the management of the AFP Modernization Act Trust Fund;

- The assessment and testing of the Integrated Budget and Procurement Planning System or IBPPS; and

- The upgrade of our ISO Certification from 9001:2008 to 9001:2015.

Thus, this Command Guidance provides General and Specific Guidance to plans, programs and operations of AFPPS Offices and Operating Units that will revolve around the theme of **“enhancing systems to increase operational tempo”**. These plans and programs are intended to further enhance our capabilities and to bring us closer to our goal of procurement efficiency so that our catered units will enjoy its core benefits of security of supply, lower costs, reduced risk, improved quality, greater added value, increased efficiency and innovation.

COMMAND GUIDANCE (Semi-Annual Command Conference, 31 August 2017)

Introduction

At the start of 2017, the Armed Forces of the Philippines Procurement Service have set out to implement IMPLAN “Gumatang”, our support plan to the AFP’s Development Support and Security Plan (DSSP) “Kapayapaan. In developing the IMPLAN, strategy formulation was undertaken and we took cognizance of the peculiarities of our operating environment to identify the gaps in order that they be clearly addressed and filled-in. In so doing, we came up with a strategic framework of Educate, Innovate and Integrate. It is a comprehensive picture of our organization’s strategy that clarifies how our efforts can be connected to address the gaps and shortfalls and achieve the best outcome.

Along these lines, we were able to chalk up several significant accomplishments, such as:

- Processed 22,480 Unit Purchase Requests or UPRs with a total Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC) amounting to more than Php28B;

- Renewed our unit’s ISO 9001:2008 certification by TUV Rheinland Philippines Incorporated;

- Praised by The Internal Auditor, AFP for having attained the highest rating of 91% when it comes to the implementation of our Annual Procurement Plan or APP;

- Earned our ‘compliant’ status with regards to the AFP’s Transformation Roadmap Institutionalization Pathway or AFPTRIP;

- Given the Certificate of Excellence by The Inspector General, AFP as the Service attained the highest over-all AGI rating of 95.31% during the Annual General Inspection for Calendar Year 2017;

- Activated two (2) contracting offices to cater to the needs of Training and Doctrines Command, Philippine Army, the Mechanized Infantry Division and the AFP Peace Keeping Operations Center – units located in Camp O’Donnell, Tarlac as well as the GHQ and HSC here in Camp Aguinaldo;

- Provided personnel that will compose the Secretariats of newly-activated Special Bids and Awards Committees here at General Headquarters as well as those of the Major Services;

General Guidance

The AFP Procurement Service is responsible for procurement operations to support the logistical requirements of our armed forces and we have focused our efforts to achieving the capabilities to successfully perform our given mandate. In this connection and along with the significant activities we have already accomplished, the Service shall pursue the following General Guidance.

Procurement Operations Amidst the Challenges. The number of procurement transactions we have completed and currently processing clearly shows how responsive the Service has been in delivering the needed procurement services to our catered units. I commend our operating units for their performance. **I direct you to maintain the momentum.** With the recent fiscal guidance, it is now imperative that we obligate funds before the current fiscal year ends in 31 December, it therefore follows that **we must increase our operational tempo**. Set our cut-off date in the submission of UPRs and public bidding requests, to obligate all current year funds before the end of the year.

Emphasis should be given on Public Bidding where assessment of projects must be continually undertaken to root out the causes of delay; and mitigate or totally eradicate them thru simplified and practical solutions. **We will not be the cause of delay.** Relatedly, strictly observe procurement timelines... always aiming for the earliest possible time of completion of procurement transactions – **from UPR receipt to payment of the delivered goods, services and infrastructure projects. This is our responsibility.** Be guided by relevant laws, logistics directives, fiscal policies and other references to avoid delays and fast track projects placed under your purview.

Stakeholder Engagement -- dialogues with end users, other critical actors in the procurement process (MFO / Accounting / COA / Proponents / Suppliers), and with policy making bodies (DBM / GPPB / etc.) will be enhanced. **The operational concept of Coordinate, Collaborate and Cooperate will be institutionalized.** Be mindful that your counterpart in the area are the commanders of catered units. **Do not hesitate to engage them.** Attend their conferences. If not invited, **volunteer! Present your concerns to them and give them updates on the status of their UPRs.**

Besides maintaining electronically scanned documents, **I direct you to make it part of your records the 'Chronology of Events' for each project** for us to have ready reference especially during inspections, audits, confidential inquiries, fact finding investigations and the like.

We must get rid of corruption. Continue with established systems, initiatives and protocols like the conduct of the "*I-Canvass Ko sa Bahay Mo*"; the "*Video the P.O.*" program; and the use of the Automated Procurement Processing, Monitoring and Information System (APPMIS). Promote transparency and involvement of stakeholders. **We are all in this together.** We cannot do this on our own. Keep in mind that procurement is a rear operation. We need to coordinate with the operating units on our procurement operations; especially when conducting canvass and delivery of procured items to catered units.

We should not limit our engagements to stakeholders only. Engagement with our neighbors in the Service is encouraged. Be able to compare notes with other PCs / COs / BAC and SBAC Secretariats in order to **fine tune our systems and procedures, draw and institute best practices and correct old ways.**

Improving Readiness and Capability Development. We must increase our personnel's comprehension of the AFP's procurement system and the government procurement law through continuous education and training in order to enhance their capabilities and improve performance. Attendance to formal courses and programs / seminars and workshops; conduct of On-the-Job Trainings; and Troop Information and Education (T/IE) will become the norm. As experts in procurement, **be prepared to be tapped to conduct lectures and be able to answer intelligently procurement related queries and concerns** of catered units.

In the area of capability development, **we will pursue the recruitment of qualified personnel; leverage the use of technology** to compensate for the lack of human resources; **use of business solutions** like audit; market research and database management; and **invest in other systems, infrastructure and equipment** to develop AFPPS as a whole in order to streamline the procurement process to which the organization has been tasked to oversee.

The pursuit of organizational excellence and professionalism must inspire each and every member of the Service and **we must be guided by our core values** of Respect, Integrity, Teamwork and Excellence or RITE for short.

AFP Transformation Roadmap, DSSP "Kapayapaan" and IMPLAN "Gumatang". In order to manifest our commitment for genuine reforms, **I direct all commanding officers and chiefs of units and offices to be very conversant** with the AFP Transformation Roadmap, the DSSP "Kalayaan" and our IMPLAN "Gumatang" and to educate your subordinates to understand and embrace them. Let us institutionalize them so that every member of the Service will be made aware of our goals.

Celebrate Successes and Be Proud of our Evolving History. We shall continue with our planned activities. I look forward to a successful conduct of the SOPOS, assessment and testing of the Integrated Budget and Procurement Planning System, the upgrade of our ISO Certification, and more importantly, processing **procurement transactions** covering the remainder of the second semester. Let us therefore prepare accordingly as the operational tempo will definitely exceed those that we have done in the first semester. Manage your time well and optimize the utilization of resources at your disposal, and sustain our standards of discipline as you inspire and lead our personnel to accomplish the tasks and missions that lie ahead - safely, properly, and excellently

Customer Satisfaction is Our Bottom Line. After all is said and done, since **our business is to provide services, customer satisfaction is the most important factor that you will have to consider.** They will have the final say on whether we are doing our job or not. We should be able to do our job with a sense of urgency and within the bounds of regulations. **We must be able to say YES with conviction; and say NO with firmness and certainty.**

Specific Guidance

The following are the specific guidance for each of the functional areas:

Personnel. Develop and implement a Succession Planning and Placement Framework by emphasizing on skills, rank and fill-up rate of personnel being assigned / reassigned to the different offices and units. Further, with the on-going initiatives to train and develop our organic personnel, PS-1, together with PS-3, should continuously monitor the OJT Program being conducted. Review existing but outmoded policies and make proper recommendations in enhancing personnel management. Recruit and fill-up personnel requirements of subordinate units.

Intelligence and Security. Implement immediate measures that will enhance the operational security awareness in the disclosure of classified information to the media as well as exercise prudence in posting pictures on social networking sites (e.g., Facebook, Twitter, Instagram) to avoid compromising personnel, future military operations and activities.

Operations. Continuously monitor the status of procurement transactions of operating units with emphasis given on deviations / delay in the procurement timelines. Ensure that operating units operate within the bounds of pertinent statutes and regulations thru constant information disseminations and reminders.

In coordination with PS-6, maximize the utilization of the APPMIS. Ensure access and responsiveness of the system to the needs of our operating units. Maximize also the ZIMBRA of OJ-6 and other technologies that aid us in the performance of our functions.

Implement the proper turn-over of duties and responsibilities between outgoing and incoming personnel in order to provide continuous services to our catered units. Further, review policies and other pertinent regulation in order to come up with recommendations to assuage our lack of Executive Officers in the different Contracting Offices who serve as Chairpersons of Contract and Canvass Committees (C3).

In coordination with concerned staffs, rationalize the amount of support downloaded to subordinate units in order for them to adequately perform their mandated tasks.

Logistics. Commanding Officers and Chief of Offices / Units should instill a culture of preventive maintenance among their personnel. In this connection, all COs and Chiefs are reminded to exercise their responsibility over the regular maintenance of all possessed equipment, as funds for this intention are already embedded in their regular MOOE, and to be vigilant in the regular maintenance of said equipment. They should remind their personnel on the proper care and utilization of equipment as Capital Outlay funds for the procurement of equipment are not regularly appropriated to the Service.

All Unit Commanders are reminded to observe the Procurement Administrative Lead Time (PALT) in the implementation of their procurement activities to avoid delays on the delivery of the requirements which affects the operationalization of equipment.

Communication, Electronics and Information System. We must enhance cyber security awareness among personnel through seminars and TI & E to inculcate a culture of security consciousness. PS-6 should harness and tap information technology experts to develop and enhance information system infrastructures through outsourcing, recruitment and SME engagements.

Education and Training. Aggressively pursue the enhancement of the needed knowledge and skills towards the operation and maintenance of the new systems and other skills requirements of the Service. We must maximize and take full advantage of the trainings offered by this Service and other units / offices in the logistics field. Institute focused programs that shall fast track the creation and enrichment of the organizational, operational, and functional doctrines.

Fiscal Resource Management. Commanding officers and chiefs of offices and units must exercise authority over the funds released to them and ensure the judicious execution of respective Programs, Activities and Projects (PAPs). We must strictly implement our Annual Program and Budget (APB) in accordance with the approved Annual Procurement Plan (APP).

Leadership, Morale and Discipline. Conduct Troop Information and Education / Lectures on Military Values; Discipline, Law and Order; AFP GAD Policies to all units on pertinent laws, rules and regulations that will be in consonance with our IMPLAN "Gumatang" so as to sustain the high degree of discipline and order among our personnel. Reinforce grievance mechanisms by empowering military personnel and civilian employees to present their respective complaints, grievances or requests that might affect their over-all performance through the chain of command.

Conclusion

The general and specific guidance enumerated for this Semi-Annual Command Conference shall serve as an enabling mechanism to ensure that current plans, programs and activities of the AFP Procurement Service are in line with our strategic plans. Let us continue to enhance our systems and capabilities that will make the AFPPS more effective in its mandate. Let us likewise continue on a steady path towards attaining the vision of quality service which adheres to continual improvement through good governance with competent military and civilian personnel targeting a modernized procurement service.

Putting Value on Training

All organizations train their people, and most spend significant sums doing so. The AFP Procurement Service, 3rd Quarter Training, CY 2017 provides an opportunity and broad structure for the development of its human resources.

The Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Operations, PS3 headed by **LTC BENEDICT A BODEGON PAF (GSC)**, puts value on training and development in order to capacitate AFPPS organic personnel with the necessary knowledge and skills set needed to pursue the unit's mission.

Last 22 August 2017, the Service conducted the Joint Seminar on Introduction to the Revised IRR of RA 9184 (2016); AFP Procurement Process and Documentation Seminar; and Contract Management Seminar. It was participated by twenty-five (25) newly assigned personnel. The seminar was formally opened by **LTC BENJAMIN C MUTLAH (OS) PA**, Chief of Staff, AFPPS and the activity was held at the HAFPPS

Multi-Purpose Hall, Camp General Emilio Aguinaldo, Quezon City. Right after the opening ceremony the participants were briefed by **CPT EFREN A BANGAYAN (QMS) PA**, Assistant PS3, AFPPS on background / objectives of the seminar, classroom protocol /etiquette and some administrative announcement.

Thereafter the successful completion of program of instruction set forth by the AFPPS, the Joint closing ceremony were formally conducted last 25 August 2017 with **COL EMMANUEL P PRIVADO PA (GSC)**, the Acting Commander, AFPPS as the Keynote Speaker.

Generally, the joint seminar objectives had been successfully accomplished. Significantly, it was noted that the participants have their sincere interest on all subjects taken-up by invited SME's/ Lecturers. Most of the participants raised logical questions and eagerly participated during discussions to enhance their skills, knowledge and experience in procurement operations. They were also

given opportunities to try out ideas and received useful responses; discussed situations and problems encountered and how to solve them to maximize their creativity. Through the joint seminar, the participants also tested their understanding of principles and developed new insights, learned from other participant's approaches and ideas, and clarified concepts that might not have understood.

This seminar brings the Service closer to its vision of a quality service which adheres to continual improvement through good governance with competent military and civilian personnel targeting a modernized procurement service. We aim for excellence and strive to continually improve the effectiveness and efficiency in accomplishing our mission.

Time Management is Surely Life Healing

Everyone talks about how busy they are day in and day out. Their time is taken up by work, activities, obligations, taking care of young ones, elderly relatives, creating, building, struggling, thriving, anything.

Time is one of life's most valuable possessions, as it is something you can never get back. After all, time management is really life management. Learning how to make every day count for something is the objective. The AFP Procurement Service conducted the Seminar on Time Management as its GAD Activity for the 3rd Quarter, CY 2017 on 22 August 2017 at the HAFPPS Multi-purpose Hall, Camp Aguinaldo, Quezon City. It was participated in by Officers and Enlisted Personnel and Civilian Employees, the seminar had Mr Leandro Quinsona CE as keynote speaker.

During his talk, Mr Quinsona

expounded on the seemingly endless tasks each individual faces and that there is never enough time in a day to do them. Since we all get the same 24 hours, why is it that some people achieve so much more with their time than others? The answer lies in good time management.

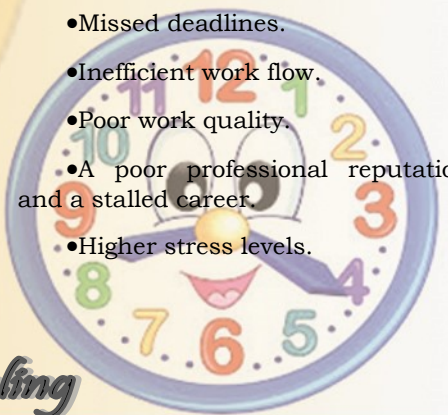
"Time management" is defined as the process of organizing and planning how to divide your time between specific activities. Good time management enables you to work smarter – not harder – so that you get more done in less time, even when time is tight and pressures are high. Indeed, failing to manage your time damages your effectiveness and causes stress.

It may seem counter-intuitive to dedicate precious time to learning about time management, instead of using it to get on with your work, but the benefits are enormous:

- Greater productivity and efficiency.
- A better professional reputation.
- Less stress.
- Increased opportunities for advancement.
- Greater opportunities to achieve important life and career goals.

Failing to manage your time effectively can have some very undesirable consequences:

- Missed deadlines.
- Inefficient work flow.
- Poor work quality.
- A poor professional reputation and a stalled career.
- Higher stress levels.



Indeed: Time Management is Surely Life Healing

AFPPS: Working Towards ISO 9001:2015

By: Ms Elloisa B Perez CE

"Audit is a systematic, independent and documented process for obtaining audit evidence and evaluating it objectively to determine the extent to which the audit criteria are fulfilled. It is not a fault-finding activity." - ISO 19011.

One of ISO 9001:2015 requirement is the conduct of internal audit which aims



to assess the quality management system of an organization if it conforms to the organization's own requirements for its quality management system and the requirements of ISO 9001 per se.

As part of AFPPS' preparation and transition to ISO 9001:2015, selected personnel from different offices took part in the training — "Conducting Effective Internal Audit for Quality Management System and ISO 9001:2015" held last 03 to 04 July 2017 at HAFPPS Multi-Purpose Hall. It was formally opened by the new

Quality Management Representative (QMR), AFPPS — **CDR FRANKLIN B ROTONI PN**. The said training was facilitated by Ms. Cristy Macalalad-Elnar, an expert technical consultant on a few ISO Standards such as ISO 9001 and ISO 14001. Ms. Elnar has broad experiences on various ISO management systems and ISO auditing and also the president of Global Systems Management Consultancy, Inc.

Ms. Elnar adopts the reference of ISO 19011 (Guidelines for Quality and Environmental Management System) which provides guidance on the management of audit programmes, the conduct of internal or external audits of quality and/or environmental management systems, as well as on the competence and evaluation of auditors. It is intended to apply to a broad range of potential users, including auditors, organizations implementing quality and/or environmental management systems, organizations needing to conduct audits of quality and/or environmental management systems for contractual reasons, and organizations involved in auditor certification or training, in certification/registration of management systems, in accreditation or in standardization in the area of conformity assessment.

On the second day, Ms. Elnar provided a written examination: Fill-in the



blanks, Identification, Enumeration and Case Study. Then, a closing ceremony was conducted started by closing remarks of Chief of Staff, AFPPS, **LTC BENJAMIN C MUTLAH (OS) PA** wherein a certificate of appreciation was also handed to the lecturer.



AFPPS UNDERGOES RANDOM DRUG TESTING

The Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence, PS2 in coordination with Task Group Jacob under the AFP Anti-Drug Task Force Moses of ISAFP conducted a Random Drug Test (RDT) for organic military personnel and civilian employees of the Service last 31 August 2017. **BGEN ERNESTO T LOPENA AFP** Commander, AFPPS led the RDT and supervised the activity. A total of 158 (52 Officers, 69 Enlisted Personnel and 37 Civilian Employees) individuals were subjected to the RDT by the team from ISAFP led by **MAJ NASSER DO AROJO (MI) PA**. **NO** AFPPS personnel were found positive for illegal drugs use.



CDR CALDERON PN RETIRES FROM THE MILITARY SERVICE

By: Ms Myla Jane F Rodriguez CE

COMMANDER DEMETRIO A CALDERON PHILIPPINE NAVY, Head, Philippine Army Bids and Awards Committee Secretariat has compulsory retired from the AFP after thirty five (35) years in the active service.

CDR CALDERON reached the mandatory retirement age of fifty-six on 14 August 2017. He started his military service as Enlisted Personnel of the Philippine Navy on 01 March 1982 and appointed as Ensign on 17 Feb 1992. Prior to his assignment as the Head, PA BAC Secretariat, Cdr Calderon handled different positions in the Philippine Navy such as Commander, Headquarters Service Support Group, NLC; Head, Ready Store Division, HNLC, NLC; Commanding Officer, Naval Supply Depot

-Davao, NLC; AC of S for Operations, LC3, HNLC, NLC; Commanding Officer, Naval Station Leovigildo Gantioqui, NTSF, NETC; Procurement Officer, AC of S for Logistics, NR4, HNRC, NRC; and Engineering Officer, BRP Lake Paoay, SF, Phil Flt. He also attended numerous Courses from various Military schools such as: Anti Surface Warfare, US Navy Surface & Tactical Warfare Operations, Anti-Air Warfare, Public Accountability Seminar, PN Logistics Officer Forum, PLANNEX Seminar, Federal Logistics Information System, Fund Accountable Officer Seminar, Basic Seaman Course, Naval Officers Qualification Course, Mess and Supply Officers Course, and Naval Command and Staff Course.



BGEN ERNESTO T LOPENA AFP, Commander, AFPPS presents the Plaque of Recognition to **CDR DEMETRIO B CALDERON PN** during his Retirement Ceremony at HAFPPS Multi-Purpose Hall last 14 August 2017.

AFPPS Operating

GHQ PROCUREMENT CENTER

Under the leadership of **CDR FRANKLIN B ROTONI PN**, Commanding Officer, GHQ Procurement Center, the unit played a primary role to obtain goods and services in response to internal needs of the Program 4 catered units. The following are the GHQ highlights of activities for the 3rd Quarter, CY 2017...



On 05 July 2017 the Center conducted a management meeting with catered units / offices purposely to reiterate and expedite the submission of their respective Unit Purchase Requests (UPRs) for 3rd Quarter, CY 2017. The meeting serves as a venue to disseminate the essential documents needed as attachments of procurement transactions required by the COA, GHQ-AFP and AFP Accounting Center to avoid delays in processing procurement projects.



A series of inspections were also conducted by GHQPC Personnel such as the delivery of Video Teleconferencing Cameras

of CEISSAFP with the presence of their SAO for use of SOLCOM.



Executive Officer of GHQPC, Logistics Officer of AFPRESCOM & AFPJSOG, Staff Command Engineer of GHQ&HSC, Project Management Division of OTCE and the contractors from ACS Development & Property Managers, Inc., Open Builders & Supply and John Arne Construction



conducted a Joint Site Inspection for the construction of 2-storey barracks of GHQ & HSC, 2-storey Barracks of AFPJSOG and 1-storey of AFPRESCOM at former LOGCOM area.

The AFPTIAC for Medicine led by BGEN JOSEPH ACOSTA AFP, TIAC Chairman with CPT GABRIEL D TAYKO (CE) PA, Operations Officer of GHQPC as TIAC Secretary

conducted inspection of delivered Medicines by Pharma Quest.



Delivery Inspection NCO of GHQPC together with AFP TIAC for Ordnance conducted inspection of delivered 500,000 and 600,000 rds ctg of 7.62mm, Ball Linked delivered at Ammo Company, LSG, ASCOM, PA, Camp Servillano Aquino, Tarlac which were delivered by Companhia Brasileira de Cartuchos, Avenida Humberto de Campos de Sao Paulo, Brazil.



CPT VITALICO B SACOSO JR (FS) PA, Acting Executive of GHQPC conducted a short briefing on the Procurement Operations to the Students of Combined Officer Logistics Basic Course and Quartermaster NCO Basic Course of Training and Doctrine Command, Philippine Army (TRADOC, PA)

PN PROCUREMENT CENTER

In any organization, procurement process activities are closely linked through the procure-to-pay process. Efficiency in both types of activities can result in clear benefits to the entire procurement process.

One way that organizations are driving improvement is through modernization, namely the adoption of technology that can improve the efficiency in all procurement transactions.

With the Service's initiative to "Enhance Systems to increase Operational Tempo", it crafted the Automated Procurement Processing Monitoring Information System (APPMIS). In support to this endeavor, the PN Procurement Center was visited by the APPMIS system developer, lead by LCDR GOMEZ PN (Ret) on 06 July 2017 to match the efficiency and effectiveness in achieving our mandated mission.

As always, the PN Procurement Center with its commitment to its catered units, displays how the TIAC plays a central role in

the procurement process by ensuring that the goods, services or works completed are of the right quality, quantity and are delivered at the right time.

With the expertise of the Technical



Inspection and Acceptance Committee (TIAC) of PMC assisted by the PNPC steered Inspection of the Supplies and Delivery of Medical Supplies by KULIT'S DRUGSTORE in the amount of Five Hundred Seventy Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Three Pesos (P577,833.00) last 17 August 2017.



Units IN ACTION

PA PROCUREMENT CENTER

PA Procurement Center — “Sense of Urgency”, its Primary Effects

Philippine Army Procurement Center under the leadership of **COL EMMANUEL P PRIVADO QMS (GSC) PA** implemented reforms and innovations so that its services are more responsive to its Customer Units, more engaged with its stakeholders, and compliant to the laws and regulations specified in RA 9184.

In order to fast track projects within the threshold of the Commanding Officer, PAPC, that is Php5,000,000.00 and below, the Philippine Army Procurement Center implemented a faster and acceptable format which eliminated many signatories in the contract. From Contract with many signatories, it was changed to Purchase Order with inclusion of Special Conditions of the Contract (SCC). The signatories are reduced from six (6) to four (4) to include the winning Supplier. Most notable is that, the signatories in the new Purchase Order Format are always available and the document can be signed immediately. They are the EX-O, PAPC, Supplier, Accountant and CO, PAPC.

The Philippine Army Procurement Center also modified the system of work within the office. From a commodity based

system, the Philippine Army Procurement Center changed it to a process based system. This will make monitoring easier, NCO's become more responsible and accountable, and the new system minimizes delay. The commodity based system has been proven to cause delay and confusion before. With the new system, “Sense of Urgency” is its primary effect.

The Philippine Army Procurement Center has also implemented proper



procedures especially the conduct of transparent Canvass by the Canvass Contracting Committee. Many officers are grateful due to the knowledge they learn just by observing the proceedings. “Learning by Observing”. Some feel proud that they feel the Army is really transforming. Customer units and offices are also appreciative when the Center conducted Canvass proceedings in their

offices. The feedback is, it helped them educate their fellow Officers on the design of our Procurement System and adherence to it is a must.

Lastly, Philippine Army Procurement Center is now implementing real time Technical Inspection and Acceptance on all projects undertaken under the alternative mode of procurement. It is still in its infancy stage but this will be vital in combating all risks especially disallowances and imprisonment because dates will be real-time and confusion on the dates and procedures are eliminated.



PAF PROCUREMENT CENTER

Another significant accomplishment of the Philippine Air Force Procurement Center (PAF PC) was the provision of a Resource Speaker during the conduct of the “PROCUREMENT ORIENTATION SEMINAR 2017” by the Air Logistics Training Center of the Air Logistics Command, PAF at the Main Ballroom of the Officer's Club, Clark Air Base, Air Force City, Mabalacat City, Pampanga last 14 to 16 June 2017.

The three-day seminar aims to educate the participants on the process of procurement for all the logistical requirements of all the units of the PAF. It was also designed to orient the participants who are directly involved in procurement activities with the needed working knowledge to facilitate the timely and



orderly procurement of goods and services.

The participants of the seminar are the Directors for Logistics, Supply Officers, Procurement Officers, Supply Accountable Officers, Supply NCOs and Procurement NCOs of all PAF Units nationwide.

The Philippine Air Force Procurement Center (PAFPC) was invited to conduct a lecture on the topic: “AFP Procurement System” which was lectured by Captain George V Santos Jr., the Chief, Operations Branch of the Center. Other

significant topics that were discussed during the said seminar include the following: Overview of the AFP Programming, Planning and Budgeting System (PPBS), Philippine Bidding Documents, Agency Procurement

Management Plan, Formulation of Annual Procurement Plan (APP) and Project Procurement Management Plan (PPMP) and Republic Act 9184 and its Revised IRR (2016).

The activity culminated with a closing ceremony graced by no less than the Commander, Air Logistics Command, MAJOR GENERAL ARNOLD A MANCITA AFP.



GHQ BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

The GHQ BAC2 was able to conduct 10 Pre-procurement Conferences, 27 Pre-bid Conferences and 22 Submission and Opening of Bids and Evaluations (SOBES) which significantly resulted for the successful completion of 18 various projects of Program 4 Units / Offices for the 3rd Quarter of CY 2017. The bidding activities resulted for a residuals of **Six Million Six Hundred Nine Thousand One Hundred Forty Four Pesos and 80/100 (PhP6,609,144.80)** in favor of the government. The residuals speak for a real competition among the suppliers / contractors in compliance to Republic Act Number 9184 and its Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations. The Head Secretariat, **MAJ DARIO C WAYAGWAG (QMS) PA** and its members constantly coordinated with the end - users for the timely submission of unit purchase requests as programmed in their respective APPs / SPPs.

<i>End-User</i>	<i>Name of Project</i>	<i>ABC</i>	<i>Residuals</i>	<i>Winning Bidders</i>
OJ9	Repair and Maintenance of OJ9 Building	PhP2,499,999.97	PhP455.55	CVAP Construction
CEISSAFP	Manage VSAT Services	10,428,000.00	1,100,350.00	PHILCOMSAT, 2nd LCB
OJ4	Procurement of Motor Vehicles, Lot 1	12,780,000.00	274,680.00	HYUNDAI ALABANG INC
AFPMC	Procurement of Dishwasher Machine	915,000.00	295,000.00	Oxychem Corporation
OJ4	Procurement of Motor Vehicles, Lot 1	6,125,000.00	25,000.00	Isuzu Automotive Dealership
ISAFP	Procurement of Construction Materials for the Construction of Multi Purpose Bldg. for MIG 8	2,247,513.00	7,576.00	CVAP Construction
ODCOP	Construction of Multi Purpose Bldg. (Barracks)	4,833,118.37	146,202.29	Lourbel Construction & Supply
ISAFP	Procurement of Construction Materials for the Construction of Multi Purpose Bldg. MIG 11	2,236,257.00	33,162.00	Jerome Construction Supply
SOLCOM	Rehabilitation of Power & Distribution Lines	1,500,000.00	51,075.00	Danitech Power System, Inc
OJ9	Procurement of ICT Equipment	3,842,420.00	250,446.02	XITRIX COMPUTER CORP
ISAFP	Construction of Multi Purpose Building, MIG 3	2,970,437.66	89,177.45	ALJU Construction & Supplies
ISAFP	Construction of Multi Purpose Building, MIG 4	PhP2,927,209.06	PhP15,025.32	Magda Construction Supply

In addition, GHQ BAC2 conducted the deliberation of 98 Annual Procurement Plans (APP), Supplemental Procurement Plans (SPP) and Amendatory Annual Procurement Plans (AAPP) of 64 units under Program 4 for Calendar Year 2017. Furthermore, the Office successfully conducted deliberation of APPs / PMPs for CY 2018 of 23 Program 4 Units / Offices wherein all of them were already approved by the HOPE.

PAF BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

PAFBAC PROCEEDINGS

The PAF Bids & Awards Committee headed by BGEN NICOLAS C PARILLA AFP, PAFTWG, concern HPAF Staff Offices and PAFBAC Secretariat conducted various proceedings for CY-2017 as follows:

PAFBAC ACTIVITIES	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	TOTAL
Pre-proc Conference	2	2	4	2	2	2	1	15
Pre-bid Conference	3	2	2	2	2	2	1	14
Submission & Opening of Bids	2	5	5	2	3	2	2	21
Post Qualification	4	5	5	2	4	3	4	27
Presentation/submission of APP CY-2018	0	0	0	0	0	0	34	34
Presentation/submission of SPP	0	6	10	4	3	2	2	27
Other Conferences	1			1		1	4	7
TOTAL	12	20	26	13	14	12	48	145

PAF UNITS AND OFFICES ANNUAL PROCUREMENT PLAN CY-2018

The PAFBAC headed by BGEN NICOLAS C PARILLA AFP, Chairperson together with the PAF TWG, AC of AS for Logistics, OA-4 and PAFBAC Secretariat conducted a review and deliberation of PAF Units and Offices' Annual

Procurement Plan CY-2018 on 14, 24, 26 July and 06 September 2017. Said review is in connection with the preparation for an advanced procurement thru Public Bidding short of NOA for CY-2018 logistical requirements of the Philippine Air Force.



Out of said activities, the PAF registered a total residuals of **Php354,963,820.77** as shown:

PAF BAC ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT

January to August, 2017

QTR	NR OF PROJECTS	ABC	BID AMOUNT	RESIDUALS
1ST QTR	125	PhP2,260,011,514.78	PhP1,962,068,456.95	PhP297,943,057.83
2ND QTR	46	553,724,418.90	515,509,802.25	38,214,616.65
3RD QTR	22	253,013,647.87	207,384,586.58	12,003,061.29
4TH QTR	10	142,288,335.00	135,485,250.00	6,803,085.00
TOTAL	203	PhP3,209,037,916.55	PhP2,820,448,095.78	PhP354,963,820.77

PN BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

The PN BAC Sec is happy to report its accomplishment covering the 3rd Quarter, CY2017. The PN BAC generated residuals in the amount of PhP7,656,118.74 out of the Approved Budget for the Contract of PhP349,364,960.87. Below is the tabulated residuals per commodities:

Commodity	No of Projs	ABC	Residuals
Common Supplies, General Services and Equipment	9	PhP35,087,563.50	PhP886,471.50
Infrastructure	1	2,141,485.00	239,778.27
Ships/Crafts Repairs and Spares	16	99,620,209.69	1,693,573.69
WCEIS	16	212,515,702.68	4,836,295.28
TOTAL	42	PhP349,364,960.87	PhP7,656,118.74

Likewise, tabulated below are projects still in the pipeline and will be bid out in the next few weeks:

Commodity	No of Projs	ABC
Common Supplies, General Services and Equipment	10	PhP90,600,000.00
Ships/Crafts Repairs and Spares	5	56,666,661.00
WCEIS	12	41,043,359.00
TOTAL	27	PhP188,310,020.00

Further, tabulation below shows the number of activities conducted by PNBAC in relation to its mandate:

Conferences	No of Activities
Pre-Proc	9
Pre-Bid	44
Opening of Bids	63
Post qualification	30
APP/SPP/AAPP Deliberation	33
Other Conferences	10
TOTAL	189

PA BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

The PA BAC Secretariat plays an important role in facilitating the procurement of supplies and equipment in order for the Philippine Army to fulfill its mandate in equipping and administering ground forces, thereby sustaining their will to fight. The said activities include but not limited to the conduct of bid proceedings for the Army procurement projects, and other related tasks as maybe delegated by higher authority.

On 14 August 2017, **MAJ QUEENIE GULLEM (FA)** PA assumed the role as PA BAC Head, Secretariat vice CDR DEMETRIO CALDERON PN, who compulsorily retired from the military service. The assumption of MAJ GULLEM took place at the time when the AFP is on the height of battling the ISIS-inspired Maute group in Marawi City. It was on that period when the Philippine Army has lined-up its various projects

for procurement, of which some of them were undertaken under the ambit of emergency procurement.

Relatedly, the newly installed Head Secretariat immediately conducted inventory of all projects that PA BAC has undertaken. As such, out of the 105 Philippine Army projects, it was found out that 36 were identified as inactive, which in essence affects the Secretariat's level of compliance to Headquarters AFPPS. The inactive projects were accordingly attributed to the conduct of mandatory review, as well as the pending approval of some specifications. The inventory result was immediately transmitted to Headquarters Philippine Army through the Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Logistics, G4 requesting the Command for the proper disposition of said projects. The submission of said inventory report was appreciated by no less

than the G4, PA and informed personally the Head PABAC Secretariat that they will take immediate action on the matter and will officially reply to PABAC at the soonest possible time.

In order to be more responsive to current and future tasks, the office is empowering its personnel to a multi-tasking job, with clear delineation of respective duties and responsibilities. It is also sourcing out from HPA for the availability of commercial internet for the PhilGeps posting, computer sets with printers, and the availability of additional mobility asset.

In the future, the office is aiming for a responsive procurement system with the enhanced collaboration of all stakeholders i.e. end-users, TWGs, suppliers, and procuring entity, thereby addressing the identified gaps of the procurement process.

101ST CONTRACTING OFFICE

Chief, 101st CO – LTC MONDEJAR, RA PA and his personnel conducted an NCO's Forum, attended / participated by thirty-seven Procurement NCO's of the different units / offices of 1ID, PA to include OPCON units with the following agenda: submission of UPRs for 4th Quarter, CY 2017; compliance from 9FAU; and consolidation of account codes into one (1) PO for one (1) supplier only. The meeting was held last 15 August 2017.



DK3 Mark Anthony delos Reyes of 101st CO together with the personnel of MFO, G4, 9FPAO, COA and End User conducted TIAC Inspection on the delivery of Drugs

and Medicines / Medical and Laboratory Supplies amounting to PHP520,383.00 delivered by our accredited supplier - NEANS Pharmacy of Pagadian City held at Kuta Major Cesar L Sang-an Station Hospital located inside inside Camp on 23 August 2017.



SSg Eting L Lambana (Inf) PA, Operation NCO of 101st CO reechoed his knowledge about procurement using the Automated Procurement Process Management and Information System (APPMIS) as learned during the conduct of one (1) day training organized by PS6, last 31 August 2017 at the HAFPPS, Multi-purpose Building, Camp General Emilio Aguinaldo, Quezon City. He presented it to his co-workers as he

delved on the process flow of APPMIS starting from UPR receipt up to payment. The lecture was done last 04 September 2017.



103RD CONTRACTING OFFICE

"Physical fitness is a state of health and well-being and, more specifically, the ability to perform aspects of sports, occupations and daily activities. Physical fitness is generally achieved through proper nutrition, moderate-vigorous physical exercise, and sufficient rest".

"Before the industrial revolution, fitness was defined as the capacity to carry out the day's activities without undue fatigue. However, with automation and changes in lifestyles, physical fitness is now considered a measure of the body's ability to function efficiently and effectively in work and leisure activities, to be healthy, to resist hypokinetic diseases, and to meet emergency situations".

Fitness and mental well-being are too important. The benefits of an active, healthy lifestyle are undeniable. Whether you decide to increase your activity level slightly or develop and participate in a thorough fitness plan, any attention you allocate to fitness and well-being will pay off in the long run.

It is in this regard that a series of

Physical Activities were planned and lined up with consideration to weather condition in this area; one of these activities was the recently conducted trek to "Kalikasan Waterfalls". Two (2) hours walk in the ups and down cemented and rugged roads and trails inside the Military Reservation of 3rd Infantry (Spearhead) Division before one will reach the beautiful waterfall. The water flowing from above is channeled into the stiff cliff composed of rocks and limestone and falls down into a cave like reservoir ideal for swimming that somehow would feel disappears from the noise and stress of work and life. It is approximately twenty five kilometers from our office and vice versa.

The purpose of this activity aimed primarily for the maintenance and development of our current physical condition, also, to further the camaraderie and to enjoy each other's company and an opportunity to break from work having discussions whatsoever apart from work, get out from the four corners of our office, enjoy the beauty and fresh air of the mother nature.

The simple activity yielded positive results, it is not only instrumental in achieving our primary purpose, but it further bonds the friendship and camaraderie this unit has.



104TH CONTRACTING OFFICE

In pursuit of the AFPPS vision for a quality service which adheres to continual improvement, the 104th Contracting Office has made procurement management its priority in order to sustain the advantage gained and accomplish its mandate. It is committed to quality procurement service to satisfy the needs of its catered units and striving for a service of excellence. The following are 104th COs 3rd Quarter activities:



Chief, 104th Contracting Office, TIAC members and End User conducted Post Qualification of RRJ Enterprise on 27 1630H July 2017 at Tumaga, Zamboanga City.



104th Contracting Office conducted Procurement NCO Forum to catered units spearheaded by CPT FRANCIS L PECAYO (QMS) PA at 104th CO Conference Room on 160900H August 2017.



Chief, 104th Contracting Office, TIAC members and End User conducted Post Qualification of Christine Haresco on 27 1500H July 2017 at Tituan, Zamboanga City.



Inspection conducted by the Procurement NCO of 403BDE assisted by 104th CO during the delivery of drugs and medicine on 01 August 2017.



Joint Tree Planting activity with Misamis Oriental, Mayor – HON Alvin Giovani Labis, 581B personnel, New Gateway Eagles Club headed by Mr Jessie Co together with the 104th Contracting Office conducted tree planting activity with a total of One Thousand Five Hundred (1,500) mangrove seedlings on 21 0600H, August 2017 at Alubijid, Misamis Oriental.



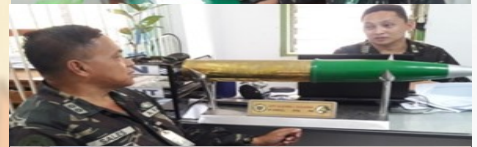
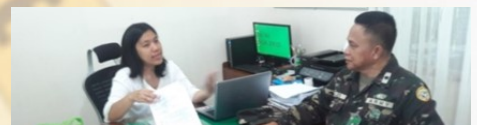
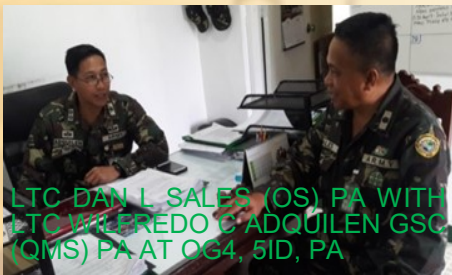
DELIVERY OF CONSTRUCTION SUPPLIES INTENDED TO 4MIB, 402BDE, 403BDE AND 291B INSPECTED BY TIAC MEMBERS AND ASSISTANT RESIDENT AUDITOR MR AMANODIN ANGIN, CPA, MPA STATE AUDITOR III ON 02 SEP 2017.

105TH CONTRACTING OFFICE

Lt. Col Dan L Sales (OS) PA, Chief of 105th Contracting Office, initiated the regular conduct of face-to-face dialogue with key personnel of the different offices involved in the conduct of procurement operations such as Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Logistics, 51D, PA; Office of the Supply Accountable Officer; APAO, PA; Office of the Chief, Accounting, 2nd Field Accounting Unit; and the Office of 2nd Finance Service Field Office based at Camp Melchor F Dela Cruz, Upi, Gamu, Isabela.

This activity was made in order to have timely coordination for the smooth processing of procurement

documents which have corrections / lacking that could delay the timeline from Unit Purchase Request (UPR) to payment and to make some alternatives in order to satisfy the needs of the end-user.



106TH CONTRACTING OFFICE

The 106th CO held a simple activity in honor of the newly promoted Enlisted Personnel on 06 September 2017 at Camp Siongco, Awang, Datu Odin Sinsuat, Maguindanao. Pursuant to Special Orders Number 913, HPA dated 14 August 2017, TSg Martin P Tribujenia 789540 (CE) PA was promoted from SSg to TSg effective as of 01 December 2016. The Pinning of Rank was presided by LT ABULASIL S ASAAD O-138154 PN, Chief, 106th

Contracting Office with the presence of all organic and available stakeholders to witness the pinning of ranks of said Enlisted Personnel. A boodle fight immediately followed after the Ceremony.

Chief, 106th CO also attended the military honors hosted by the Cmdr, 61D, PA MGen Arnel B Dela Vega AFP for MGen Harold N Cabreros AFP, the Vice Commander, PA during his visit last 25 July 2017.



107TH CONTRACTING OFFICE

LTC MICHAEL P DUQUEZ (OS) PA, looks attentively to his personnel while taking their Quarterly Examinations at HQS, 107th Contracting Office last 20 July 2017 in Fort Magsaysay, 3130 Nueva Ecija.

The Quarterly Examinations is held to determine the level of consistency, knowledge and compliance of each individual personnel and employee of the Procurement Service. This Program helps

monitor the competency, update the know-how and if there are areas which need improvement to master the implementation of RA 9184 from the so-called Procurement Specialists may they be organic, civilian, tenured or newly hired / assigned personnel.

Members of the 107th CO took the Quarterly Examinations as part and parcel of the routine program of the Higher Headquarters, AFPPS.



108TH CONTRACTING OFFICE

On 04 July 2017, the Budget Execution Process Review (BEPR) was conducted at the 8ID, Multipurpose Hall, Camp Vicente Lukban, Catbalogan City, Samar and started with the program and registration of participants/procurement Officer's/procurement NCO's by the different brigades, battalions, reconnaissance companies, G-Staffs and Special Staffs of 8th Infantry Division, Philippine Army headed by COL ROLANDO E NERONA GSC (INF) PA, Deputy, MFO, PA and followed by the briefing presentation. After the briefing presentation by the Deputy, MFO, PA at 10:30 same day, it was seconded by G-Staffs and Special Staffs of 8th Infantry Division, Philippine Army and started by LTC FERDINAND D ATOS PN(M), Chief, 108th CO, AFPPS provided a briefing on

Procurement Accomplishments from 01 January to 30 June 2017 and followed by a lecture on Procurement Process and explained the participants the Mission and Function, Organization, Material/Financial Resources and Procurement Accomplishment. This is also to address the issue on how they are going to make their Unit Purchase Request (UPR). Furthermore, the Flow of Procurement Transaction by this office, in relevance also for the contracting office's simple understanding for reference purposes. Included in his discussion is the basic requirement for the said submission of Unit Purchase Request (UPR's), in order to meet the compatibility of the program. The program ended at exactly 17 1000H July 2017.



On 29 August 2017, Chief 108th Contracting Office, Armed Forces of the Philippines Procurement Service and other personnel proceeded to Procurement Service, Headquarters at Camp General Emilio Aguinaldo, Quezon City to attend the Semi-Annual Command Conference, CY 2017; undergo Operators Training on the Automated Procurement Processing, Monitoring and Information System (APPMIS) and the 3rd Quarter Socials. The venue was at Daza Park Pavilion and HAFPPS Multi-Purpose Hall.

The event was attended by the COs / Chiefs of AFPPS Operating Units as well as personnel of HAFPPS. 108th CO personnel underwent a drug test during the activity in support of the Command's thrust of a drug-free AFP.



109TH CONTRACTING OFFICE



For the period covering 25 July to 04 August 2017, Chief 109th CO attended the Management Audit conducted by the Office of the Army Internal Auditor (OAIA) to 9th Infantry (Spear) Division Command and OPCON units covering the period from 1st and 2nd Qtr CY 2017.

Facilitated the conduct of Coordinating Conference and presented through Power Point presentation on Bidding Process with the 9th Infantry Division Special Bids and Awards

Committee (9th ID SBAC) headed by Assistant Division Commander, BGEN DANILO CHAD D ISLETA AFP, to undertake the procurement through Pubic Bidding the repair of facilities of 9ID



damaged by Typhoon Nina which was funded by OCD, DND amounting to Php16,061,452.00 held at 9th Infantry Division Conference Room on 16 August 2017. The purpose of the conference was to brief the members of the 9th ID SBAC on their

roles, functions and responsibility pertaining to public bidding.

Various deliveries and inspections conducted by the Technical Inspection and Acceptance Committee (TIAC) on the goods procured for the operational use of 9th Infantry (Spear) Division and OPCON units.



110TH CONTRACTING OFFICE

BGEN ERNESTO T LOPENA AFP, Commander, AFPPS with LTC SAMUEL PAMITAN (OS) PA and LTC BENEDICT BODEGON PAF (GSC), the MFO and PS3 respectively, of the AFPPS visited 110th Contracting Office at Camp Lapulapu, Cebu City on 10 August 2017.

BGEN LOPENA and party were warmly welcomed by the Officers and men of the 53rd Engineer Brigade, PA headed by COL RAMON EVAN T RUIZ CE (GSC) PA.

Afterwards, BGEN LOPENA and party talked to 110th CO personnel urging them to sustain their good performance and to ensure that the logistical requirements of the catered units are issued to them during the time when needed. Commander, AFPPS likewise emphasized to closely monitor all procurement transactions from the receipt of the UPR up to payment with the ultimate goal of meeting customer satisfaction.



111TH CONTRACTING OFFICE

111th Contracting Office, AFPPS stationed at Camp Colonel Oscar F Natividad, Manolo Fortich, Bukidnon is continuously providing active support to 52nd Engineer Brigade and its subordinate units through timely processing of their logistical requirements in order for them to successfully accomplish their mandated missions.



For the period covered from 01 July to 01 September 2017, 111th Contracting Office had processed Eighty Four (84) POs for MOOE and Sixteen (16) POs for special releases of 52nd Engineer Brigade and its subordinate units with a total amount of **PhP 3,214,994.99**.

Aside from the afore-cited activities, 111th Contracting Office is also tasked as the PA SBAC3 Secretariat for 52nd Engineer Brigade infrastructure projects. Hence, Chief, 111th Contracting Office became the head secretariat while the two

(2) organic Enlisted Personnel became support staffs. On 14 July 2017, this office had facilitated PA SBAC3 during the Receipt and Opening of Bids of the two (2) infrastructure projects at Headquarters 4ID, Camp Evangelista, Cagayan de Oro City. Moreover, on 04 August 2017, this office again facilitated PA SBAC3 during the conduct of the Pre-Procurement Conference of another three (3) infrastructure projects at Headquarters EASTMINCOM, Panacan, Davao City. For the period covered, the office had processed a total of Fourteen (14) Supply and Delivery of goods and services with a total amount of **PhP 30,322,334.31** and Twenty Two (22) Pakyaw-Labor Contracts/ Work Orders with a total amount of **PhP 7,486,842.84**.



In addition, the office also conducted various activities such as Conducting Lectures on the procurement process and



conducting Suppliers' forum. The office volunteered to conduct lecture on procurement process during programmed activities of catered units such as Logistics' Forum in order to educate them on the Procurement Process and the possible timeline of each transaction. The office also conducted Suppliers' Forum in order to immediately discuss the concerns of the end-users and also to update them on the provisions of the revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of RA 9184.

At present, the 111th Contracting Office is maintaining all observed best practices in order to ensure timely completion of procurement transactions and to avoid violating the provision of the RA 9184.

112TH CONTRACTING OFFICE

Two (2) Enlisted Personnel of 112th Contracting Office, AFPPS attended the Operator's Training on the Automated Procurement Processing, Monitoring and Information System (APPMIS) on 31 August 2017 at the HAFPPS Multi-Purpose Hall.



113RD CONTRACTING OFFICE

Chief, 113rd CO conducted T/I&E and discussed RA 9184 and its Revised Implementing Rules & Regulation. He also emphasized the need for teamwork and unity. To continue working together as one team and to garner more Office accomplishments.



LTC Medrano PA also conducted meetings with MFO's of two (2) catered units and registered suppliers to discuss current commodity prices, issues and concerns encountered during the previous

procurement transactions, quality of products/supplies delivered to catered units and end-users feedbacks to commodities received and recommendations. This activity helps the office improve our procurement services to our end-users to meet their requirements and also supplier's satisfaction for the early payment of their delivered commodities.

Other personnel from 113rd CO meticulously inspect the supplies being delivered by dealers to ensure that proper items are received by catered units.

Chief, 113rd CO attended the management meeting with Resident Auditor Ms Natividad D Caoile, MGEN EDGAR F GONZALES AFP, MID, PA Commander, BGEN CASIANO C

MONILLA AFP, Commander TRADOC PA and other Staffs of 2 catered units.

Lastly, Chief, 113rd CO attended the Exit Briefing of OAIA lead by BGEN GAVIN D EDJAWAN AFP. The team focused on the accomplishments reports on procurement transactions by the units concern on their catered units based on the approved APP.



201ST CONTRACTING OFFICE

The 201st Contracting Office has undergone Security and Safety Inspection; and Document Security Lecture from personnel of Wing Intelligence Office of the 1st Tactical Operations Wing last 23 August 2017 from the team headed by SSg Andreo O Dalumpines PAF.

The purpose of the inspection was to ensure that the office is hazard-free and compliant with the safety and security regulations being implemented inside the Air Force City.



Moreover, the lecture also gave enlightenment and understanding to all participants regarding the importance of having a full knowledge on security

especially physical and document security that would surely help in their day-to-day work not only in the office but also in their personal life.



202ND CONTRACTING OFFICE

The 202nd Contracting Office, headed by **LCDR Domingo B Sumayo Jr PN**, held a dialogue with logistic officers and supply NCOs of the different units of the Air Education, Training and Doctrine Command (AETDC) last 04 September 2017. The dialogue focused on the new AFPPS Commander's guidance during the semi-annual conference held at AFPPS headquarters last 31 August 2017. As part of the unit's quarterly activity, the Chief 202nd CO reiterated the flow of procurement operations, and other relevant issues and concerns that are being encountered by the end-users and suppliers.

LCDR Sumayo, together with the other 202nd CO personnel emphasized to the attendees that improper way of filling-up UPRs was one of the common causes of the delay in the implementation on the procurement of their logistical

requirements. Among the common mistakes is the description of the items and current market value that often lead to the delay of the UPR which will be returned to the end-users. LCDR Sumayo also stressed that AFPPS has formally launched the Automated Procurement Processing Management and Information System (APPMS) as a replacement of the

EPMS which will be used and fully operational by January 2018.

LCDR Sumayo encouraged all the participants particularly the logistic officers to regularly update their price listings in order to attract more suppliers to participate in providing their logistical requirements.



301ST CONTRACTING OFFICE

301st Contracting Office inspects delivered supplies for NFNL and NSEO. The 301st Contracting Office conducts inspection of delivered supplies together



with Ms. Josue Rae F Reyes FSAO, NFNL, LCDR JAYSON T MANGANGAY PN, Legal Officer of NFNL and representative from End-User. 301st Contracting Office Personnel checks the items quality and specification as specified by the contract.

301st CO joins Camp Defense Drill at NFNL. The 301st Contracting Office joins personnel of Naval Forces Northern Luzon in the conduct of General Quarters Drill to simulate camp defense from an aggressor. MAJ RICKY B MACARAEG PA, Chief, 301st CO was the designated

Commander of Combat Support Units such as EOD, Assault, Firefighting and Reserve Units. The main task is to support sectors that needs reinforcement, resupply and protection from fires and IED disposal



302ND CONTRACTING OFFICE

With the leadership of CDR FRANKLIN B ROTONI PN, an ISO 9001:2015 Coaching was conducted at 302nd Contracting Office based at Naval Station Pascual Ledesma, Fort San Felipe, Cavite City under the reign of LCDR MICAH REY L BAUTISTA PN.



Topics discussed were: Quality Management, Customer Requirements, Customer Satisfaction and other salient features of ISO 9001:2015. 302nd CO personnel were eager on gaining knowledge and in support on the ISO 9001:2015 programed by the headquarters, AFPPS.

With the supervision of **LCDR MICAH REY L BAUTISTA PN**, Chief 302nd CO, **1LT CELESTER DC AGMATA PAF** the Assistant Chief conducted lecture on the Document and Communication Security to the personnel of 302nd Contracting Office.

The lecture aims to freshen up and reminding the personnel on the handling

and security of sensitive documents and valuable information. Topics discussed were Proper Handling of Documents; Different Classification of Documents, and Computer Security. During the open forum, queries and/or clarifications have been clearly answered.



303RD CONTRACTING OFFICE

On **03 August 2017**, 303rd Contracting Office conducted a Team Building Activity spearheaded by CPT MIR-I-NISA S CARBONELL (QMS) PA to



boost the morale and welfare of its personnel with a simple swimming / bonding at Cabarian Resort, Cabrian,



Ligao City, Albay.

Chief, 303rd Contracting Office, CPT MIR-I-NISA S CARBONELL (QMS) PA

always update the Commander, NFSL on the Procurement Status of Naval Forces Southern Luzon for Calendar year 2017.

MSg Noriel P Viduya PA, Chief Clerk of 303rd Contracting Office attended the Sergeant Major 3rd Quarter Conference participated in by the Chief Clerks of Post Units, OPCON and Tenant Units of NFSL hosted the by the USM, NFSL.



304TH CONTRACTING OFFICE

The 304th Contracting Office held its 3rd Quarter Socials together with their dependents as anti-stress activity from daily routinary works. This was held at Lhexlyn Resort at Alusiis, San Narciso, Zambales.

The said event was attended by the

Chief Accounting, CO, Finance and their personnel. This shows that the camaraderie among the personnel was tighten for the purpose of its mission and in order to improve the good production in accomplishing the needs of the catered units.



305TH CONTRACTING OFFICE

The 305th Contracting Office was graced by the visit of no less than BGEN ERNETO T LOPENA AFP, Commander AFP Procurement Service and Party on



11 August 2017. During the visit, LCDR AMATONG PN, Chief 305th Contracting Office presented its office accomplishments and introduced the personnel before the Commander, AFPPS and Party. The Commander talked to the personnel after the presentation. One of the important subjects that were discussed was the launching of Automated Procurement Processing Management and Information System (APPMIS) to be launched during the Semi-annual Command Conference.

Chief 305th Contracting Office conducts frequent stakeholders'



engagement to discuss procurement transactions and procurement related policies.

306TH CONTRACTING OFFICE

Chief, 306th Contracting Office conducted lecture on APP/PPMP Preparation, Procurement Process and RA 9184 attended by G-Staff Officers and selected enlisted personnel at the Headquarters 10ID, PA Camp General



Manuel T Yan Sr. Brgy Tuboran, Mawab, ComVal Province and subsequently paid courtesy call to MGEN NOEL S CLEMENT AFP, the newly installed 10ID Commander last 26 July 2017.

Chief 306th Contracting Office with SAO, NFEM, MFO, NFEM, Accounting, NFEM, JAGO, NFEM, NF4, NF7, CO NSFA, Logistics Officer, NSFA, Command Engineer, NFEM attended the conference presided by CAPT JOSE MA AMBROSIO Q EZPELETA PN (GSC), the Deputy Commander NFEM, PN on Extension of Contract Time for the project: Supply and Delivery of Labor and Materials for the

Enhancement of EP Barracks 2 of NSFA with a contract amount of Three Million Two Hundred Four Thousand Thirty Four Pesos and 89/100 (Php3,204,034.89) at NFEM, Conference Room.



401ST CONTRACTING OFFICE

On 29 July 2017, personnel of 401st CO participated in the simultaneous earthquake drill. The primary objective was to facilitate timely and appropriate response when an actual quakedoes occur.



Elements of 401st CO meticulously inspect delivered supplies to ensure that only the right and quality items are provided to soldiers.



On 30 August 2017, Acting Chief 401st CO and other catered units attended the Exit Briefing of Management-Terminal Audit headed by MGEN ALEJANDRO A LOYAO III AFP discussing the observation and findings of the audit team.



One of the significant accomplishment of this office (401st CO) was properly recording / monitoring the 100% project of new existence building of 1 story EP barracks including Facilities in



NOLCOM with the BID price amounting PhP3,647,778.78.

On 04 September 2017, Turn Over of Ceremony was conducted at HNOLCOM between the Outgoing NOLCOM Commander LT GEN ROMEO I TANALGO AFP and the Incoming Commander MGEN EMMANUEL B SALAMAT AFP presided by GEN EDUARDO M AÑO, Chief of Staff, AFP.



402ND CONTRACTING OFFICE

The 402nd Contracting office under CDR MARLON B VARONA PN together with BGEN ERNESTO V RAVINA JR AFP, Chairman of Technical Inspection Acceptance (TIAC) for Infrastructure conducted TIAC inspection for the 100% completion of the Construction of

SOLCOM 2-storey EP barracks on 15 1400H August 2017, at HSOLCOM, Camp Nakar, Lucena City. The activity was attended by the following officers: IMB (end –user) U4, MFO, SAO, JAGO, COA and representatives from ALXM Constructions Suppliers.



403RD CONTRACTING OFFICE

LTC ALVIN M SEVILLA PAF, the Chief of 403rd Contracting Office was tasked to act as Resource Person / SME during the Senior Officers APB Development Training conducted by AFPRMO last 17 to 18 August 2017 at Shanghai Room, Marco Polo Plaza Cebu. He conducted a lecture last 18 August 2017 regarding the overview of the AFP Procurement System.

Indeed, it was a worthwhile activity because it was attended by the Management and Fiscal Officers, Logistics Officers and Chiefs of Staff of the Unified Commands and their counterparts in the different Key Budgetary Units. These personnel are primarily responsible in crafting their unit's Annual Plan and Budget for the succeeding years.



404TH CONTRACTING OFFICE

On May 2017, SBAC for Engineer Brigade was created and chaired by MGEN JOSELITO M REYES AFP. First task was to conduct Negotiated 53.1 (Two Failed Biddings) on two projects of the 54th Engineer Brigade; Supply and Delivery of Materials for the Construction of Sports Complex and Water Facility at Camp Bud Datu, Tagbak, Indanan, Sulu.

On 25 August 2017 the Receipt of Opening of Bids Envelope (ROBE) for the

said project was held in 54th Engineer Brigade, Camp BGEN AF Fernandez Jr., Cabatangan, Zamboanga City. Presided by the SBAC Chairman, MGEN REYES AFP and LCDR ALEXANDER J ORIO PN, Chief 404th Contracting Office as SBAC Secretariat.

The occasion marked as the first task of the SBAC for 54th Engineer Brigade, and it was executed successfully.



405TH CONTRACTING OFFICE



On 25 July 2017 the TIAC Members conducted Final Inspection for the Repair/Rehabilitation of WESCOM Gymnasium with Wellness Area Project amounting to PhP 3,948,547.23



On 03 August 2017 the TIAC Members conducted Final Inspection for the Construction of One(1) Storey EP Barracks (60 Capacity) of WESCOM located at Tiniguiban, Puerto Princesa City amounting to PhP3,793,914.65



OTIA Exit Briefing - Commendable Observations during the Exit Briefing of Management-Terminal Audit on Western Command held on 27 July 2017 at Conference Room, 2nd Floor, WESCOM Bldg.



Facilitated and inspected by Chairman TIAC of NFW, PN COL DOROTEO JOSE M JALANDONI PN(M) (GSC) all delivered items of various projects.



Facilitated and inspected by Chairman of TIAC COL SHARON G GERNALES PAF (GSC) all delivered items of various project intended for 570TH CTW, PAF Catered Units.



On 02 August 2017, Personnel of 405th Contracting Office headed by LTC LAUREANO C SIMBILLO (CE) PA participated in the Mangrove Tree Planting.



Some of the 405th Personnel participated in Bloodletting Activity spearheaded by WESCOM in partnership with the Philippine Red Cross on 020800H September 2017 at WESCOM Social Hall dubbed as "DUGO PARA SA KAPAYAPAAAN" that will benefit the wounded members the Armed Services who were victims of Marawi Crisis among others. Said activity is in line with the National Peace Consciousness Month that aims to save lives by giving free and safe blood to the needy patients.

406TH CONTRACTING OFFICE

State-of-the-Art Hospital Equipment and New Building for the AFP Health Service Command

During the visit at the AFP Health Service Command (AFPHSC) specifically at the Heroes Ward of the Commander-In-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, PRESIDENT RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE, last August 2, 2016 wherein he explicitly announce that a state-of-the-art hospital equipment, establishment of a new hospital building and the renovation of the old hospital building will be the priority programs to be implemented to provide quality health services to our soldiers with modern and improve equipment and

facilities.

In line with the pronouncement made by the PRESIDENT DUTERTE, the 406th Contracting Office has facilitated the procurement activities to include the expeditious delivery of the much needed hospital/medical equipment of the AFPHSC. These equipment have already been installed and being used by the hospital to provide free hospital services for inpatient and outpatient personnel of the AFP to include their take-home medicines.



407TH CONTRACTING OFFICE

Canvass and Contracting Committee of 407th CO initiate the conduct of Post qualification to the winning bidders under



Negotiated procurement for PMA Initial Clothing and Individual Equipment requirements last 31 August 2017. The Post Qualification Team headed by LTC JASON M SALDUA (INF) PA, AC of S for Personnel, MA1 as Head of Mission and party with Technical Officer and Legal representative carefully examines and validates the Legal and Technical documents of said company.

Likewise, the Post Qualification Team inspects the facility of the winning bidder and able to witness the production line of

caps and shaku for use of CCAFP CI-22.



From the Desk of Unit Sergeant Major

Imperative Responsibilities of the Unit Sergeant Major

By: SMS Armando M Dema-ala PA
USM, AFPPS

Senior Enlisted soldiers who attain the distinction of being selected to be Unit Sergeant Major are the epitome of success in their chosen field, in our respective profession of arms. Moreover, it incorporates more authority, responsibility and accountability within the Command. The Office of the USM is the bridge between the AFPPS Enlisted Personnel and our Commander, AFPPS – BGEN ERNESTO T LOPENA AFP, seeing good order, morale and discipline of enlisted troops.

The AFPPS Unit Sergeant Major carries out and standard of the performance, training, appearance and

conduct of enlisted personnel. As your USM it is my duty to initiate recommendations to the Commander and Staffs in matters pertaining to NCO support channel and Empowerment.



As part of the inherent thrust of this Service – the Office of the Unit Sergeant Major, AFP Procurement Service, SMS Armando M Dema-ala (QMS) PA, USM conducted a regular visitation to assess the morale & welfare, discipline and state of readiness of all Enlisted Personnel assigned with the AFPPS units particularly those Contracting Offices who are confronting armed conflicts.

The main purpose of said visits is to personally talk and validate the issues and concerns that affects the self-esteem and self-confidence of the Enlisted Personnel especially those who did not

attended the previous Consultative Symposia held at AFPPS Multi-Purpose hall, CGEA, QC last 30 June 2017.

Taking into account the logistical requirements the OUSM initiated to jibed the Unit Visitation with the scheduled Pre-AGI of LTC EUGENE A BADUA PA (GSC), Inspector General, AFPPS to seven (7) Contracting Offices / Procurement Centers before the end of the year.

Undeniably, the AFP Procurement Service Enlisted personnel have proven, time and again, their consistency in our commitment to a quality procurement service to satisfy the needs of our catered units for a quality service which adheres to continual improvement through good



governance to effectively and efficiently perform our mission

“More responsibilities, tighter deadlines, and bigger targets...”

Remarks of the Cmdr, AFPPS
BGEN ERNESTO T LOPENA AFP
During the Pinning of Ranks Ceremony
Held at HAFPPS MPH last 28 September 2017

First and foremost, allow me to congratulate the newly-promoted personnel of our Service. Palakpakan natin silang lahat! It is so delightful to recognize people especially the newly-promoted individuals within the organization who have done a lot for it. Those that rendered quality service and dedicated the better part of their lives and career to the attainment of the AFPPS' vision and mission.

Today we come together to share in the joy of our compatriots and build esprit-de-corps in our ranks thru this simple Pinning of Ranks Ceremony. This ceremony, a military tradition celebrated by armed forces around the world, highlights how these individuals have mastered the art of working hard and squeezing the most out of their time at work; and serves as an impetus or motivation to others who aims to do the same.

I have mentioned the ‘art of working hard’ precisely because promotion of these

individuals did not come easily. They must possess certain qualities in order to earn the right of wearing those new rank insignias. They must be people of intelligence and competence because that is what is required in the performance of their jobs and functions. They must be team players, with commitment and passion or zeal towards the attainment of the goals of their organization. And more importantly, they must be people of integrity. Because to give real service you must add something which cannot be bought or measured with money... and that is integrity!

The euphoria of success is evident in the faces of our promotees. That is why, we also, are elated and share in their happiness. But before we let that euphoria carry us aloft, let me say this to bring everyone back to earth... ***promotion means more responsibilities, tighter deadlines, bigger targets and working back till late – this is what a promotion entails!*** Sorry to be the one to burst your bubble but someone had to do it! So to put everything in perspective, let this success serve as your inspiration to achieve more successes in your military career. Having reached this far, you must now commit to bring your success to the next level. And along the way, continue to contribute to the

attainment of our goals and the vision of a quality service which adheres to continual improvement through good governance with competent military and civilian personnel targeting a modernized procurement service. This is my message to our promotees and to the rest of Team AFPPS.

Let me express my congratulations once again to the promotees... your promotion is well deserved and we, your AFPPS family, are happy for you! Good luck on your future endeavors, thank you and may we all have a productive and pleasant day. Magandang umaga!



"Being the select few..." **AFPPS formally activates 113rd and 409th** **Contracting Offices**

"Organize, train, equip, maintain and sustain..." six words put into action by the AFP Procurement Service as they formally activate two contracting offices – the **113rd and 409th Contracting Offices** at HAFPPS Multi-Purpose Hall, CGEA, Quezon City last 13 0930H July 2017, with **BGEN ERNESTO T LOPENA AFP, Commander, AFPPS** as the presiding Officer. This Contracting Offices would cater to the needs of GHQ & HSC here in Camp General Emilio Aguinaldo; and units co-located in Camp O'Donnell in Capas, Tarlac, specifically the Training and Doctrine Command or TRADOC, PA; the Mechanized Infantry Division (MID), PA and the AFP Peace Keeping Operations Center (AFP PKOC).

The current operational environment translates to evolving missions, innovation, competition for resources, and other factors that converge to drive change faster and faster. To stay relevant in our armed forces, The AFPPS needs to adapt and change with it.

Relevance is defined as the quality or state of being closely connected or appropriate. With the activation of the two Contracting Offices, AFPPS is now closer to those units identified and the connection with them covers the strategic aspects of procurement – streamlining processes; identification and selection of the right suppliers thereby reducing the prices and costs of materials and finding better supply sources; negotiation of contracts and deals; non-supply, quality issues and supply chain execution are super-important for these catered units.

We are a select few. In an armed

forces with an active strength of about 172,000 personnel, AFPPS represents 0.25% of the total strength with roughly about 440 members. "Select" means "special, chosen because of outstanding qualities." The people who make up the Service are procurement professionals trained and imbued with the right knowledge and skills set in order to be efficient and effective at their jobs. That is their edge.

BGEN ERNESTO T LOPENA AFP, Commander, AFPPS cited the strategic importance of procurement. This is their niche in the over-all scheme of things. He emphasized this his people, especially to those who are at the 'frontlines' so to speak – the newly-designated Chiefs of the 113rd and 409th Contracting Offices. They should be able to maintain that edge by having superior knowledge or expertise; offering a service and delivering that service more quickly and efficiently; and lastly offering superior customer satisfaction and gaining a reputation for doing so.

Commander, AFPPS extend his congratulations to LTC RODRIGO D MEDRANO PA and LCDR MARICHU L SAYAS PN, the new Chiefs of the 113rd Contracting Office and 409th Contracting Office respectively. The new Chiefs are not new in this field and that is why they were chosen to lead.

BGEN LOPENA avers that leaders define or clarify goals and mobilize the energies of members of the group to pursue those goals. That the Service will be relying on their expertise and most of all on their experience to deliver impeccable service to their catered units. "Do not be averse to change. It's important to understand that change is a natural part of life, because the reality is that nothing lasts forever. It's necessary because it leads to growth that leads to new perspectives and likewise helps you to acquire wisdom from your new found experience and knowledge," said he.

The Commander, AFPPS thanked everyone for coming and sharing in the momentous event for the AFP Procurement Service. He pointed out that: "this is one of many such occasions wherein we embrace change because we want to improve our systems and deliver the much needed service to our customers. It is fitting to wish everyone here good luck as each and every one of us face a different task; but no matter how small or big that task is, it contributes to the overall output of the organization. We face those tasks head-on, believing in our capacities and in each other as we work hand-in-hand for the betterment of our Service."



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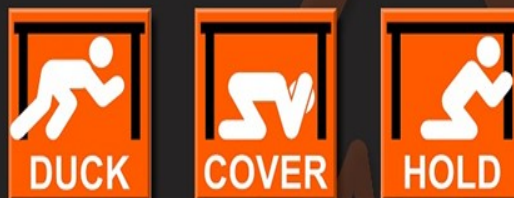
AFP Procurement Service participated on 27 1400H September 2017 in the Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED) to hone disaster awareness and earthquake preparedness among its personnel.

The National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC) held its third NSED in anticipation of the "Big One". Earthquake prediction is not an exact science, and the Big One might not strike within the next half century. But with volcanoes acting up and the ground moving along the Pacific Rim, nations along the Ring of Fire cannot afford complacency.

The AFP strongly gave importance to NSED henceforth, all units inside Camp Aguinaldo participated the said activity in order to test and validate the earthquake readiness of personnel. The first siren signal the start of the earthquake drill and the second siren will be the cue for termination of the activity.

On 27 1300H September 2017, AFPPS personnel conducted brief orientation about the importance of NSED at HAFPPS Multi-purpose Hall, CGEA, Quezon City. The personnel perform the duck, cover and hold procedures to reduce your chance of injuries.

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Earthquake Drill

In MOST situations, you will reduce your chance of injury;

DUCK where you are, onto your hands and knees. This position protects you from being knocked down and also allows you to stay low and crawl to shelter if nearby.

COVER your head and neck with one arm and hand

If a sturdy table or desk is nearby, crawl underneath it for shelter

If no shelter is nearby, crawl next to an interior wall (away from windows)

HOLD ON until shaking stops.

Under shelter: hold on to it with one hand; be ready to move with your shelter if it shifts

No shelter: hold on to your head and neck with both arms and hands.

AFPPS New Personnel



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LCDR PN



ADOLFO F NAVALES
MAJ PAF



Renato R Coronel
MSg (AGS) PA



Philbert C Jacinto
TSg PAF



Dalmacio B Lascano Jr
SSg PAF



Joseph Joy P Cuenco
SSg PAF



Ireneo C Navares
SSg (FA) PA



Rowel D Moster
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Rowena B Ocana
SSg PAF



Rainer M Padilla
SSg (QMS) PA



Benjamin P Pasana
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Glenda N Ikan
SSg PAF



Mario P Lamasan
Sgt PAF



Ms Vanessa Joy C Casta (CE)

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AFPPS PICK-UP LINES

- PS ka ba? Kasi PS I LOVE YOU!
- Bidding ka ba? Sana ikaw ung biddings ng higaan ko para masarap tulog ko...
- Canvass ka ba? Kasi i-Canvass sana kita sa Bahay mo!
- Supplier ka ba? Ikaw sana magSupply ng pangangailangan ko.
- Sana PHILGEPS ka na lang! Kasi para araw araw kita ipopost..

Tawa-tawa din kapag may TIME...





Quality Policy

"We, at the AFPPS are committed to quality procurement service to satisfy the needs of our customers while complying with the requirements."

"We aim for excellence and strive to continually improve the effectiveness and efficiency of our Quality Management System."

"Mabilis na Serbisyo"
"Magandang Kalidad"
"Mababang Presyo"



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