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AFPPS HITS TRAILBLAZING GOLD GOVERNANCE

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CAMP AGUINALDO, QUEZON CITY - The AFP Procurement Service bagged the most coveted Gold Governance Trailblazer Certification award; the highest stage in the AFP Transformation Roadmap which an institution can have as far as governance is concern. ➤ [turn to page 5](#)

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About the COVER

The framed award is the **GOLD GOVERNANCE TRAILBLAZER CERTIFICATION AWARD** with Gold Anahaw Leaf appurtenance which is the highest award the AFP Procurement Service ever received in the annals of AFP Transformation Roadmap garnering a score of 95.02%. It was handed by no less than the AFP Chief of Staff GENERAL GILBERT I GAPAY PA, to the Commander of AFPPS BGEN RAMON J GUIANG PAF, during a simple awarding ceremony on 07 October 2020 at the Silid Lapu-lapu inside the AFP General Headquarters which was witnessed by different unit Commanders of the AFP.



MESSAGE

CHIEF OF STAFF
ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES
Camp General Emilio Aguinaldo, Quezon City

In this season of light and hope, I join the men and women of the Armed Forces of the Philippines in celebrating this most anticipated time of the year with renewed vigor, sense of purpose, and optimism.

This year has undoubtedly proven overwhelming as it put us in situations we have never been before. On top of fulfilling our mandate as sworn protectors and defenders of our nation and our people, we faced all these challenges head on. When our daily lives were shifting to the “new normal”, the AFP remained on the streets and in its respective units, working tirelessly, committing time and effort, and serving its purpose so that our country can overcome challenges and our people can still live with a semblance of normalcy in uncertain times.

It was during this period of precariousness that our fighting spirit shone the brightest and served as our beacon of light. As true Filipino soldiers who took after the courage and determination of noble heroes who came before us, we continue to live up to their standards, manifesting our dedication and commitment above and beyond the call of service.

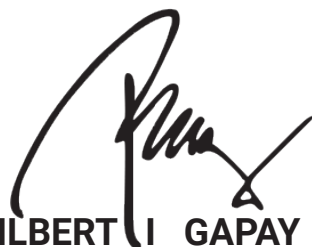
For all that we have worked hard for this year, we deserve to celebrate this Christmas season with a sense of accomplishment. However, let us not be lulled into complacency and let us instead continue to strive so we can better serve our nation and our people.

Inspired by the unconditional love of our God Almighty, the very reason for this season, may the hope that Christmas brings motivate us more to give our absolute best knowing that we are acting out of our own interests, but for the common good.

I wish every one of you and your families a meaningful celebration of the Yuletide Season. May you be blessed and continue to be blessings to others.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!




GILBERT I. GAPAY
General PA

MESSAGE



VICE CHIEF OF STAFF
ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES
Camp General Emilio Aguinaldo, Quezon City

My joyous greetings to all the military and civilian human resources of the AFP Procurement Service (AFPPS) in celebration of the Christmas Season!

This year has been full of tough challenges that tested the resilience of the Filipino People and fortitude of our government institutions. As public servants, we are entrusted with duties and responsibilities crucial to the unimpeded delivery of services to the Filipino people. For us working in a military institution, this health crisis is another obstacle we need to brave through and from which we need to emerge victorious.

I would like to commend the AFPPS for the outstanding service it has rendered despite all the challenges our country is facing. Your hard-earned accomplishments sustained the AFP's thrust to preserve the integrity and transparency of the institution's procurement process.

This Yuletide Season, may all your efforts and sacrifices be rewarded with calm and respite in the presence of your family and friends. Take this opportunity to renew your motivation to serve our organization. May your sense of purpose and spirit help the organization adapt to the "new normal" as you fulfill your indispensable duties.

Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year to all!



Erickson R Gloria
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Lieutenant General PAF

MESSAGE



THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF
ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES
Camp General Emilio Aguinaldo, Quezon City

On behalf of my family and the men and women of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, I wish the Officers, Enlisted Personnel, and the Civilian Human Resources of the Philippines Procurement Service, a Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year!

While this year proves to be challenging not only for our country, but also for the rest of the world, this has not dampened the spirit of the Filipino people in celebrating a most revered celebration – the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. The significance of His birth and His teachings were clearly demonstrated during various crises, by the people who have sworn to serve and protect our nation. From our medical professionals, government officials, uniformed personnel, particularly our soldiers, these front liners, risking their own health and safety, successfully performed their mandate, and brought hope and goodwill to our people.

Indeed, the faith and optimism we see from the people we serve are what makes the celebration of Christmas all the more special and fulfilling. Thus, as we commemorate this very special day of the year, I call on our soldiers to remain committed to our country's freedom and integrity. Let us continue to inspire our people and give them all the reasons to celebrate a peaceful and joyous Yuletide season.

Once again, my fondest wish for a blessed Merry Christmas and may the coming year bless us all with good health and happiness.



Erick A Kagaon
ERICK A KAGAON
Vice Admiral PN

MESSAGE



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The Christmas celebration will be different this year. It will be quieter and simpler but filled to the brim with just the right kind of sentiment—love, joy, gratitude and appreciation of everyone and of everything that we have in our lives now.

In the past months, we have been besieged on all fronts. The ultimate challenge to our competence and sense of public service was before us. We treaded carefully on unfamiliar territory. But as trained professionals, we did not stand down.

I commend the initiative and the sense of urgency of the AFP Procurement Service. Your adaptability to the demands of the situation gave assurance to our stakeholders that you can deliver. That no matter what, your sense of duty takes precedence over any personal concerns.

This season, I wish you and your families a truly blessed Christmas. I pray that you find inspiration in the Christmas lantern that light your homes; joy in the gifts that you will give and will receive; and delight and comfort in the warm embraces of your loved ones.

Maligayang Pasko sa inyong lahat!


ALBERTO B CARLOS
Rear Admiral PN

AFP Core Values: Honor, Service, Patriotism

AFP VISION 2028: A World-class Armed Forces, Source of National Pride

TIG, AFP VISITS HEADQUARTERS AFPPS

By COL EUGENIO B GARCIA PA (GSC)



BGEN RAMON J GUIANG PAF COMDR, AFPPS introduces CMS Benedicto P Estanes PA, Command Sgt Major TO LTGEN FRANCO NEMESIO M GACAL PA TIG, AFP during his visit to AFPPS.

CAMP AGUINALDO, QUEZON CITY – The Head of the Office of the Inspector General (OTIG) of the Armed Forces of the Philippines visited the Headquarters of the Armed Forces of the Philippines Procurement Service (AFPPS) on 13 December 2020. The visit was in connection with the Performance Based Bonus (PBB) validation of the unit for calendar year 2020 and other important matters that The Inspector General wanted to personally convey.

LTGEN FRANCO NEMESIO M GACAL PA, The Inspector General of the AFP was warmly welcomed by the Commander of AFPPS, BGEN RAMON J GUIANG PAF and his staff. As a tradition, the visiting General signed the visitor's logbook and was entertained by the latter in his office. At around 1530H, the visitor proceeded to the AFPPS conference room where he was accorded with an information briefing by the Operations Officer of the unit which was followed by an open forum. At the onset, LTGEN GACAL opened an issue which was raised accordingly by some Major Service Commanders during their inspections saying that the slow procurement transactions in their unit were due to the delays from the Contracting Offices which the Commander of AFPPS immediately refuted. BGEN GUIANG explained to TIG that some Commanders of catered units are just using the AFPPS as their escape goats particularly when personnel of AFPPS are not around to defend themselves. He added that the catered units are sometimes slow in producing the lacking documents or rectifying the incorrect preparation of their Unit Procurement Requests (UPRs) that usually result to the delay of the transactions. LTGEN GACAL congratulated the latter and encouraged him including the staff of AFPPS present to stay firm and just continue their efforts in delivering the services needed by the AFP units.

The PBB validation is yearly conducted in order to determine the rating of a certain unit in connection with the monetary bonus that its personnel are entitled to receive.



BGEN RAMON J GUIANG PAF COMDR, AFPPS & COL PETER PAUL D DOMINGO PA (GSC), Dep Commander pose with LTGEN FRANCO NEMESIO M GACAL PA TIG, AFP during his visit to AFPPS on 13 December 2020.

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The Commander of AFPPS BGEN RAMON J GUIANG PAF, proudly received from AFP Chief of Staff GEN GILBERT I GAPAY PA, on 07 October 2020 the splendid framed institutionalization certification with Gold Anahaw Leaf appurtenance for garnering a score of 95.02%. The simple awarding ceremony was held at the Silid Lapu-lapu inside the AFP General Headquarters which was personally attended by different unit Commanders of the AFP who likewise bid the award. In the speech of General Gapay, he applauded the dedication shown by the personnel of AFPPS and the rest of the units in their commendable achievements. He further encouraged them to sustain the gains of the AFP's pursuit of its vision by 2028; the reverberating slogan "A world-class Armed Forces, Source of National Pride".

The topmost award ever received by the unit in the AFP Transformation Roadmap is attributed to the three breakthrough goals of the Command which were presented to the Chief of the Office of the Special Studies and Strategy Management (OSSSM) for scrutiny and evaluation during the AFPTRIP bid for Institutionalization, paved way to the unit's conferral to its institutionalization stage. It can be recalled that the unit exceeded its Break Through Goals (BTG) in the year 2019 which is the coverage of the evaluation. In its BTG #1, the Command set a target of at least 90%-95% in the increase of personnel program implementations but had accomplished 100%. In BTG #2, the unit got 99.86% vis-a-vis its target which is 95% in the increase of the Management Audit rating of the unit while BTG #3, is the increase in the percentage of Notice of Awards issued on time by the Command in 2019 targeting 80%-85% but garnered an excellent accomplishment rating of 92%. The five elements and sub-elements of documentary requirements that served as parameters in the evaluation are as follows: emerging breakthrough results, integration of strategy execution management process in the daily operations, alignment of subsidiary units and individual to unit strategy, link to incentives rewards and recognition and best practice sharing and identification.

The evaluation of the unit's AFPTR was done in three different occasions. On 28 May 2020, the Command's Chief of Staff COL EUGENE A BADUA PA, presented through Video Teleconference (VTC) the unit's BTG results to the evaluators headed by BGen Ignacio Madriaga PA, the Chief of the Office of OSSSM. On 08 July 2020, the OSSSM panel randomly picked-up names of personnel of the unit and interviewed them individually to test if everybody in the unit is aware and knowledgeable on its AFTRIP. The final stage was



AFP Chief of Staff GENERAL GILBERT I GAPAY PA, handing over the **GOLD GOVERNANCE TRAILBLAZER CERTIFICATION AWARD** with Gold Anahaw Leaf appurtenance to the Commander of AFPPS BGEN RAMON J GUIANG PAF, during the AFPTRIP awarding ceremony on 07 October 2020 at the AFP General Headquarters.

the revalidation stage wherein the Commander of AFPPS delivered the final brief to the panel headed by the Vice Chief of Staff of the AFP, LTGEN GAUDENCIO COLLADO PN, followed by the cross examination of the latter by the Governance Strategy Management Officers (GSMO) of the three major services of the AFP thru VTC. When asked how his unit achieved such remarkable accomplishments, BGEN GUIANG amiably smiled and humbly said "sir I'm just blessed with dedicated AFPTR Technical Working Group".

In the speech of BGen Guiang during the simple celebration held at the AFPPS Multi-purpose Hall on 07 October 2020, he enjoined everyone not to seat down on their laurels just because the unit is

already institutionalized. "We should continue to sustain the momentum and never be complacent on what we have achieved. In pursuit of continual improvement and maturity of systems and mechanisms integrated to achieve breakthrough performance, we should all start preparing for the upcoming AFPTR recertification in the first quarter of 2021" BGEN GUIANG added.

CPT MARIA TESS D DELIM PA, the GSMO action officer of AFPPS has already initiated moves toward aiming for the Seal of Excellence in 2022 in which all units are wishing for. May we all soar high and transform in the years ahead . . . see you again in the next awarding ceremony. Mabuhay ang AFPPS!

PRE-ANNUAL GENERAL INSPECTION 2020

FROM NORTH TO SOUTH



BGEN RAMON J GUIANG, Commander, AFPPS talks with the personnel of 301st Contracting Office (Left photo) in San Fernando, La Union and personnel of 105th CO (Right photo) in Gamu, Isabela during his unit visit.

The Office of the Inspector General (OIG) of AFPPS has been compliant to its mandate in maintaining the standards of order. The leadership of BGEN RAMON J GUIANG PAF as Commander of AFPPS leads the way of commitment, service and efficiency geared towards a better AFPPS that gradually withstand the odds of time. The testament of accomplishment is tangibly displayed on the recent outcome of the institutionalization stage of the AFPTRIP highlighting the previous accomplishments of the unit. The result of the presentation of the AFPTRIP panel of judges yields a percentage of 95.2% grading to a golden trailblazer award. As the unit continues its quest to further hone AFPTRIP, the office of the Inspector General, AFPPS travels from North to South again to maintain its quest in displaying its duties and responsibilities which will be further discussed in five simple tasks:

The first simple task is to investigate and report on complaints and allegations as directed by Commander, AFPPS. The OIG will then initiate inquiry to any improper conduct of personnel in the unit. It also gives advice to the Commander on the actions to be taken

for him to decide. The second task is to advise the Commander, AFPPS on the state of efficiency and effectiveness of AFPPS and its subordinate units relative to all functions of the units including the morale and discipline of personnel and the materiel and operational readiness. The third is to issue IG clearances and check on records of all personnel as requested or as directed by higher authorities. The fourth is to assist the Commander of AFPPS in the prevention of crimes and other offenses. The fifth is to receive and to act expeditiously on complaint involving military and civilian personnel. With these duties and responsibilities as guide, the OIG conducted Pre-annual General Inspection to the following units jibed to the visit of Commander, AFPPS:

On 26-27 August 2020 at 105TH Contracting Office (CO) stationed at Camp Melchor F Dela Cruz, Upi, Gamu, Isabela under the leadership of MAJ EFREN BANGAYAN (QMS) PA. On 27-28 August 2020 at 407TH CO stationed at PMA, Baguio City under MAJ JENNIS S AZUCENA (INF) PA and 301ST CO at Poro Point, San Fernando, La Union under LTC RICKY MACARAEG (CE) PA. On 07-09 September 2020 at 202ND CO at Lipa

City, Batangas and 402ND CO at Camp Nakar, Lucena City

Substantial to the success of the unit's mission is the conduct of Pre-AGI with AFPPS management and Audit Team to the following sub-units:

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| 11 Aug 20 | - GHQ BAC 1 and 2 |
| 14 Aug 20 | - GHQ BAC 3 and 4 |
| 25 Aug 20 | - PAF BAC, Villamor Air Base, Pasay City |
| 12 Oct 20 | - PN BAC and PA BAC |
| 22-23 Oct 20 | - HAFPPS |
| 26 Oct 20 | - GHQ PC |
| 29 Oct 20 | - 409TH CO and 112 CO |
| 06 Nov 20 | - 406TH CO |
| 10 Nov 20 | - PA PC and PN PC |
| 11 Nov 20 | - PAF PC |

The purpose of inspection is to ensure performance of mission on matters pertaining to efficiency, effectiveness, readiness, management of resources, state of morale and discipline and compliance to higher Headquarters policies and guidelines particularly on AFP transformation roadmap and COVID-19 protocols.

AFPPS ANNUAL ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT

From The Office of the PS3

This year has been a challenging because of the occurrence of natural disasters that hit the country especially the emergence of COVID-19 pandemic that affected most of the programmed activities of the unit particularly its mode of implementation. However, in spite of the hardship in adjusting to the so-called new normal, the AFPPS still managed to perform its mandates by continuously conducting procurement activities in order to sustain the logistical requirements of the AFP. Below are the procurement transactions undertaken by this unit from 01 January 2020 to 01 January 2021.

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|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Total Number of Projects | 28,527 |
| Approved Budget for the Contract | 27,434,595,977.50 |
| Contract Amount | 23,296,648,797.82 |
| Residual | 4,137,947,179.68 |
| Equivalent % age of Residuals | 15% |

Moreover, programed trainings for CY 2020 were successfully conducted by the unit thru Video Teleconferencing (VTC) via zoom. The trainings conducted thru VTC that were participated by personnel of the Contracting Offices are as follows:

| NR | ACTIVITY | DATE CONDUCTED |
|----|--|----------------------|
| 1 | PhilGEPS Training | 04 - 05 Mar 20 |
| 2 | Contracting Office Refresher Training | 08 - 16 June 20 |
| 3 | Contracting Office Refresher Training | 20 - 24 July 20 |
| 4 | Intro to RA 9184 and AFP Procurement Process and Documentation Seminar | 24 - 27 Aug 20 |
| 5 | Contract Management Seminar | 24 - 27 Aug 20 |
| 6 | PhilGEPS Training | 29 - Sep-01 Oct - 20 |
| 7 | Marksmanship Training on issued Glock 17 Pistol | 15 - 16 Oct 20 |
| 8 | Contracting Office Refresher Training | 27 - 29 Oct 20 |
| 9 | GAD Seminar | 27 - 29 Oct 20 |
| 10 | Team Versus Team Shooting Competition | 15 - Dec 20 |

On the other hand, the Command conducted a Marksmanship Training among its personnel on 15 December 2020 purposely to gain proficiency on the use of issued Glock-17 pistol and a Fond Shoot on 15 December 2020 to all NCR-based personnel to further enhance the skills and confidence on the use of the said weapon.



Ms Rowena F Decena, Chief of Civilian Affairs Branch of AFPPS lecturing thru VTC during the conduct of GAD Seminar.



COL PETER PAUL D DOMINGO PA (GSC), Dep Commander, AFPPS delivering his message to the participants thru VTC during the Joint Opening Ceremony of Contracting Office Refresher Training and GAD seminar on 27-29 October 2020.



Personnel of HAFPPS developing their weak hands in shooting during the Glock-17 Pistol Marksmanship Training on 15-16 October 2020.

Prior to the declaration of the World Health Organization, the office of the president issued Proclamation No. 922 dated March 08, 2020 declaring a state of public health emergency throughout the Philippines to mobilize governmental and non-governmental agencies which requires a whole-of-government response to undertake and implement urgent and critical measures to contain or prevent the spread of COVID-19, mitigate its effects and impact to the community, and prevent disruption of the functioning of the government and the community.

Anchoring on this proclamation, the AFPPS has been proactive to ensure that the procurement process are provided without disruption and at the same time, contribute to the mitigation and prevention of the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic. Over the last few months, work as we know it has drastically changed due to the coronavirus pandemic. Whether it's the physical location where personnel work, the challenges these personnel are overcoming to meet demands, one thing is certain: "Normal" is now a term that describes the past. But despite of the restriction caused by the pandemic, OPS1 was able to execute its mandate to secure the readiness posture and personnel strength and successfully implemented promotion board for the EP which actively participated by 23 Air Force, 27 Army and one Navy EP respectively. During the deliberation, safety protocols were strictly observed. Those applicants assigned outside Metro Manila were interviewed thru video teleconferencing due to travel restriction.



AFPPS ESTABLISHES NORMS TO SUCCEED IN THE



Ms Luzviminda Rapiza (CHR) lecturing on Cultural Sensitivity to 30 AFPPS personnel thru VTC.

Meanwhile, despite the threat poses by Covid-19, OPS1 thru its GAD sub-office carried out its programmed activities for the last quarter of the year such as the conduct of lecture and training on Cultural Sensitivity, Gender, Peace and Security seminar and Fair Language. It was attended by 21 EP and nine CHR both assigned in the Headquarters office and in the Contracting Offices all over the country thru video teleconferencing. The program aims to remind and/or reiterate to all personnel of the Command regarding the equal and fair treatment to both gender and to let them be aware of the gender-based related violations to prevent them from committing such. The invited resource speaker was Ms Luzviminda Rapiza, a retired CHR and Mr Leandro P Quinsona of the office of the Civilian Affairs Branch of AFPPS.



Newly Renovated AFPPS Multipurpose Building



AFP Core Values: Honor, Service, Patriotism

OLD BUILDING, NEW BEGINNING

By MAJOR NORWIN G LICOTO PAF, PS4

In spite of challenges of stricter measures in mass gatherings due to the ongoing global pandemic, to gather with caution is now made possible after the renovation and improvement of the AFPPS Multi-Purpose Hall (MPH). Year 2020 marked a new milestone upon the completion of the structure. It was originally built as personnel's barracks of the dissolved Logistic Command and was converted as Multi-Purpose Hall in 2005. The upgrades and renovations made to the said facility this year accommodated important meetings, conferences and proceedings that are being conducted while keeping health and safety protocols in place. Enhancements of the MPH ensured that the venue is now more conducive for assemblies as it is equipped with a new fixed sound system and projector fitted for large crowd. Likewise, the air conditioning and lighting system were designed as venue for prolonged activities which allows people to convene with comfort. As a matter of fact, the GHQ BAC Secretariats prefer to hold their procurement proceedings at the said facility rather than using their own conference rooms. Apart from VTC, the AFPPS MPH has been envisioned to be a large and safe place to host all kinds of activities.



AFPPS VIRTUALLY CELEBRATES Christmas

By LTC ELMAR C DALOPE (CE) PA

CAMP AGUINALDO, QUEZON CITY – Personnel at the headquarters of AFP Procurement Service including its subordinate units scattered all over the country simultaneously celebrated Christmas together with their Commander BGEN RAMON J GUIANG PAF thru video teleconferencing via zoom on 210900 December 2020 at the Command's Multipurpose Hall.

The activity started in a Eucharistic mass officiated by CPT ROMMEL QUIAMCO of the office of the Chaplain Services, AFP. In his homily CPT QUIAMCO said that we should go back to the basic or original meaning of the year's celebration. Moreover, he said that this year is more than the parties, the good foods and the beautiful places we are visiting during Christmas instead, let's think of what good thing can we offer to the coming King. The latter ended his sermon by saying that the theme of AFPPS is very timely because indeed, ***we can't do otherwise but to strengthen our faith and embrace the celebration of Christmas with Hope and Courage.***

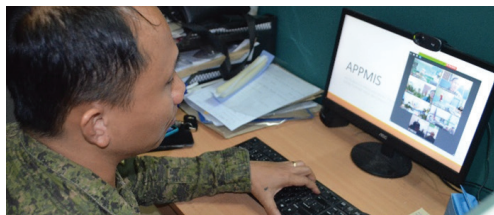


CPT ROMMEL QUIAMCO Chaplain Service, AFP delivering his homily during the Thanksgiving Mass of AFPPS on 21 December 2020.



BGEN RAMON J GUIANG PAF delivering his Christmas message after the Thanksgiving Mass on 21 Dec 20.

Right after the mass, the Commander of AFPPS delivered his message to the limited personnel inside the Multipurpose Hall and those personnel of the Command's subordinate units watching thru video teleconferencing via zoom. In his message, BGEN GUIANG said that Christmas is a season of giving, love, hope and compassion and a time to enjoy quality time with our loved ones, friends, relatives and acquaintances. He also said that each and every one of us are very lucky because we are alive, healthy and free from illness. ***"Although some acquired the deadly virus that affected billions of people around the world, some died but many survived. We are still blessed because we are still alive and on the road to recovery. With the help of the almighty God, the great architect of the universe, there is still a bright tomorrow that awaits us. Let us all be happy and celebrate the birth of Christ, our savior, but keeping in mind the mandatory health protocols being implemented against COVID-19. Let us heal and recover as one. Have a merry and safe Christmas and prosperous New Year to one and all"*** BGEN GUIANG added.



MAJ ALBERT N SOTELO (SC) PA, PS6, AFPPS lectures on the use of APPMIS to the personnel of 31 Contracting Offices.

With the current threat of COVID-19 pandemic in the country, most activities of the AFP and even the civilians sector shifted to virtual method in order to accomplish their programmed works without sacrificing the health of their own personnel. With the emergence of the dreadful virus, people in the entire nation is in turmoil for the enemy is unseen but pretty well felt when it enters the human body. The problem of determining who is carrying the virus especially to asymptomatic patient is most of the time a quandary to every institution. Because of this, the Commander of AFPPS immediately directed his staff to prepare for the worst situation that the pandemic may bring. As a preemptive action, he then instructed PS6 to utilize all the equipment

COVID-19 MAKES CEIS SERVICES IN DEMAND

By **MAJ ALBERT N SOTELO (SC) PA**

and devise ways and means to adopt the new normal in accordance with the health protocols set by the Inter-agency Task Force in order to prevent the spread of the virus. With this guidance, teleconferencing using web based applications such as Zoom and other related media platforms became in demand.

Because of the new normal working condition, the Command upgraded and strengthened the capability of ICT peripherals in conducting alternative means to support all the sub-units of AFPPS especially those that are located all over the country through VTC. At the office of the PS1, the OPS6 is supporting it by setting-up VTC during the interview of civilian applicants for hiring and the interview of promotable officers and Enlisted Personnel during their deliberation. Likewise, programmed trainings of the OPS3 are also conducted via VTC through the technical supervision of OPS6 personnel. The scheduled Monday conference of the Chief

of Staff together with the staff officers and the Friday VTC with the Chief of Contracting Offices are also among the loads and responsibilities of the OPS6. The conferences of the Commander and other officers to higher Headquarters and/or other units are also held in the same manner to minimize movements of troops. Another challenge at the office of the PS6 is the operation and maintenance of the Automated Procurement Processing and Monitoring Information System (APPMIS) which serves as a management tool in monitoring the operational activities of the Contracting Offices. This equipment is very essential because the Commander need not to contact the Chief of the Contracting Offices in order to know the status of their activities.

The duration of the presence of pandemic in the country has no certainty as to when it will end. With this reality, the Communication Electronics Information System (CEIS) will continue to be in support to all activities of the Command thus, CEIS and unit activities are inseparable in this so-called new normal.

Alas, we are nearing the end of the calendar year. A year that has brought about new experiences, as well as challenges, not only to our organization but to the AFP. We have seen procurement scenarios that were downright unfamiliar and close to impossible to execute. However, we endured and slowly learned to navigate through it.

Amid the COVID-19 pandemic being experienced throughout the country, issuances, updates, and guidelines were developed by the GPPB to simplify, facilitate, and streamline the procurement process. These continues efforts allowed us to address the present challenges brought about by the "New Normal" set up while ensuring our effectivity in accomplishing our mandates.

Related thereto, allow me to share some significant changes and provisions brought about by recent pronouncements, which may serve as a guide in the conduct of procurement projects to be undertaken by our respective PCs/COs for the forth coming year.



By **MAJ JEFFERIZ BRYAN A CAMIÑA JAGS**

- We are mandated to adopt and use the 6th Edition Philippine Bidding Document (PBD) or the simplified PBDs for Goods and Infrastructure Projects.

- Should online or electronic submission be allowed, scanned copies of the eligibility and financial documents and other forms to be submitted are considered compliant with the requirements for submission under the rules, subject to submission of the original copies thereof during the post-qualification stage.

- Allow submission of Performance Securing Declaration, in lieu of the prescribed performance bond, which reflects that the winning bidder accepts that it will be automatically disqualified from bidding for any procurement contract with any PE for two (2) years for the second offense based on the rules.

- For forms required to be notarized, absent any subsequent issuances, a finding against the veracity is a ground for disqualification.

- There is already a new format for the Omnibus Sworn Statement which includes:

- » That the Bidder is not "blacklisted" by itself or by its relation, membership, association, affiliation, or controlling interest with another blacklisted person or entity.

- » That "in case advance payment was made or given, failure to perform or deliver any of the obligations and undertakings in the contract shall be sufficient grounds to constitute criminal liability for Swindling (Estafa) or the commission of fraud with unfaithfulness or abuse of confidence through misappropriating or converting any payment received by a person or entity under an obligation involving the duty to deliver certain goods or services, to the prejudice of the public and the Government of the Philippines pursuant to Article 315 of Act no. 3815 s. 1930, as amended, or the Revised Penal Code."

- For procurement of Common-Use Supplies and Equipment (CSE) procured through PS-DBM, the requirement of issuance of Certificate of Non-Availability of Stocks (CNAS) based on the physical unavailability of the supplies and equipment is already abated, and instead may resort to Shopping (52.1[b]) provided it could be shown that the item is not available from the PS-DBM, as shown on its website and a record of the proof of unavailability of the CSE as shown in the PS website, such as a printed form of the webpage or a screenshot of the same showing the date and time that it was accessed, is kept

Kindly take note that the above cited were lifted from GPPB Resolution Numbers 15, 16 and 17-2020, approved on 28 July, 16 and 18 September 2020 respectively, although was published only on 21 and 26 September 2020, in that order. Please consider the above cited as a kind reminder to ensure seamless procurement transactions and avoid future COA findings.

A DAY AT THE HOT RANGE IS NEVER A WASTE

By CPT LLOYD B ANSINO PAF



Left Photo: BGEN GUIANG trying to hit the target using his weak hand. Right Photo: Team Vs Team competition of all NCR-based AFPPS personnel

We carry gun not to take life but to defend life. As the protector of the people and the state, we must be proficient in using our basic firearm. However, one cannot proceed to proficiency stage unless he/she is familiar with the basics of gun safety and fundamentals of shooting. On 15 October 2020, a total of 119 personnel of AFPPS composed of officers and Enlisted Personnel (EP)

based within the National Capital Region participated in the Marksmanship and proficiency firing conducted by this command. Amidst the ongoing pandemic, this Command managed to pursue this training that gave immense impact on its personnel. At first, most of the shooters were uncomfortable using face mask and face shield during the shooting competition. However, they had to get

used to it because it was part of the rule.

The purpose of the activity was to train the personnel and be proficient in the use of their own issued Glock 17, 9mm pistol. Before the actual firing, the range officer reviewed first the participants on the four cardinal rules of gun safety and the fundamentals of shooting in order to avoid accident. He also demonstrated the proper stance, grip, sight alignment, sight picture, trigger squeeze and follow through in order to hit the target accurately. He also emphasized the importance of safety thus, he reiterated the use of the "safe area" as the only place where to load and unload the guns.

The activity started in the proficiency firing wherein the firers undergone the nine different positions record firing for the issuance of marksmanship badge. The last activity was the Team versus Team competition. The team that hit all its targets in a distance of 20 meters ahead of its opponent is declared the winner. Team 5 was declared the champion, Team 9 was first runner up and team 4 got the 2nd runner up. The cash prizes that were awarded by the commander of AFPPS were 5,000.00, 4,000.00 and 3,000.00 respectively.

PROTECT YOURSELF FROM COVID-19, SAVE LIFE

By CMS Benedicto Estanes (SC) PA

The coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic is not only dreadful but also stressful to people. It also creates fear and anxiety on how virulent the disease which overwhelms and cause strong emotions to adults and children. Public health actions such as social distancing can cause people to feel isolated and lonely. However, people should bear with the inconveniences brought by the virus in order to reduce if not to stop the spread of COVID-19. Older adults and people who have certain underlying conditions like heart, lung disease or diabetes are at increased risk of severe illness from COVID-19 illness.

How you respond to stress during the COVID-19 pandemic would depend on your background, social support from family or friends, financial situations, health and emotional background, the community you live in and many other factors. The changes that can happen because of the COVID-19 pandemic and the ways we try to contain the spread of the virus can affect anyone. Taking care of your friends and your family can be

a stress reliever, but it should be balanced with care for yourself. Helping others cope with their stress, such as by providing social support can also make your community stronger. During times of increased social or physical distancing, people can still maintain social connections and care for their mental health. Phone calls or video chats can help you and your love ones feel socially connected to prevent you from feeling lonely, isolated and rejected.

Stay Healthy, Stay Safe and join us in stopping the spread of COVID-19 by adhering to health protocols set by authorities. Be an advocate of the enforcement of policies to help prevent the healthy ones from being infected with the virus. Above all, take care of yourself in order to respond to the need of others. Your being healthy and free from the virus would mean saving others' lives.



The Civilian Affairs Branch (CAB) of AFP Procurement Service is a unit mandated to manage, administer and direct its Civilian Human Resources (Civ HR) in terms of discipline, benefits, training and career path and projection. The pandemic that threatens not only the country but globally as well have impacted the organization's workforce.

The CAB through the guidance of its Commander, BGEN RAMON J GUIANG PAF, the Chairperson of AFPPS Deliberation Board initiated the conduct of the Civ HR promotions and hiring of applicants for the Command's remaining vacated positions. In line with this, the following are the results of the three deliberations conducted from July to November 2020 through Video Teleconference (VTC):

- Five candidates for promotion ranging from SG6 to SG15;
- Four applicants were considered for hiring;
- Two positions were for approval of appointments;
- One candidate for completion of documents; and
- One position was deliberated at OTAG Final Board last 19 November 2020.

Due to the emergence of COVID-19, the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel, J1 issued Personnel Directive Number 03 dated 20 May 2020. This directive prescribes the guidelines on the

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By Ms Weng Decena

alternative work arrangements for the Civ HRs in the units of the AFP within the areas declared under ECQ, Modified ECQ and General Community Quarantine to protect the Civ HR from the risks posed by the COVID-19. Likewise, it aims to conserve the physical and mental strength of the Civ HR of the AFP. For CY 2020, we have at least recommended to higher Headquarters Thirteen Civ HRs for promotion, wherein seven of them were already promoted and they are the following:

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| 1. Ms. Elvie B. Broncano Civ HR | – From SG6 to SG8 effective 05 March 2020 |
| 2. Ms. Jacqueline B. Allana Civ HR | – From SG4 to SG6 effective 05 March 2020 |
| 3. Ms. Kimberly M. Verona Civ HR | – From SG4 to SG6 effective 10 September 2020 |
| 4. Ms. Lady Love S. Lucen Civ HR | – From SG3 to SG6 effective 18 September 2020 |
| 5. Ms. Maria Jessica R. Santia Civ HR | – From SG4 to SG6 effective 08 October 2020 |
| 6. Ms. Aida Fe B. Balod Civ HR | – From SG3 to SG6 effective 08 October 2020 |
| 7. Ms. Gladys P. Burillo Civ HR | – From SG4 to SG6 effective 08 October 2020 |

The recommendation of other six Civ HRs for promotion are still on process at the higher Headquarters. On the other hand, the Command has recommended to hire seven applicants to be part of AFPPS. Among the seven, two were already approved while the five others are still on process pending the approval of their appointments. The hired CHRs are Ms. Jane Marie V. Estrada with salary grade 6 and Engr. Ma. Khristine Q. Pangan with Salary Grade 8 on 10 January 2020 and 18 September 2020 respectively.



COL EUGENE A BADUA PA (GSC) CS, AFPPS administering oath to the newly hired CHR.

PAPC PURSUES DELINQUENT INSURANCE AGENCY

By COL MANOLO V SANTIAGO PA

FORT BONIFACIO, TAGUIG CITY – The Philippine Army Procurement Center (PAPC) headed by COL MANOLO V SANTIAGO PA, initiated the pursuit of Liberty Insurance Corporation (LIC) after the latter refused to honor the claim against performance bond amounting to 64,078,042.50. The issue came out when the Stone of David Corporation (SODCORP) was blacklisted due to its failure to deliver the 30,755 rounds of Cartridge of 81mm high explosives to the Philippine Army. The insurance company's inaction to the demand letters prompted PAPC to submit report to the Head of The Procuring Entity (HOPE). This move resulted to the serving of a Show Cause Order which in return, the company submitted its Verified Position Paper (VPP). After the thorough evaluation of the Army Judge Advocate (AJA) on the submitted VPP, AJA recommended LIC to be included in the negative list. A Notice of Decision for the inclusion of LIC to the Negative List signed by the HOPE was then served to the latter. LIC appealed and requested for amicable settlement but was denied by the HOPE. The Insurance Commission requested for the delisting of LIC from the Negative List but likewise denied due to the issue of jurisdiction. To protect the interest of the Philippine Army in its claim, the case was further referred to the office of the Solicitor General. PAPC pursued the claim for the

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HEADQUARTERS
PHILIPPINE ARMY PROCUREMENT CENTER
ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES PROCUREMENT SERVICE
Fort Andres Bonifacio, Metro Manila

PAPCX 13 October 2020

SUBJECT: Complete Records, Contract and Allied Documents for the S/D of 30,755 rds Ctg 81mm, HE

TO: Commanding General, PA
Post
(Attn: AC of S for Logistics, G4)

- Reference: STL from that Office dated 13 October 2020.
- Per reference, this Center was required to provide documents to support the representation of the Philippine Army to the Office of the Solicitor General (OSG) in connection with the claim of SIXTY-FOUR MILLION SEVENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND FORTY-TWO AND 50/100 PESOS (PHP64,078,042.50) from Liberty Insurance Corporation representing the performance bond for the supply and delivery of 30,755 rounds Cartridge, 81mm, HE under Contract Number 035-12-17 awarded to Stone of David Corporation.
- In this regard, hereto attached are the required documents for your references.
- Request acknowledge receipt.

MANOLO V. SANTIAGO
Colonel CE 'GSGT' PA
Commanding Officer

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By 2028, a world-class Army that is a source of national pride.

COMMANDING GENERAL
PHILIPPINE ARMY
FORT ANDRES BONIFACIO, METRO MANILA

NEGATIVE LIST NO. 001-05-20 03 JUN 2020

NOTICE OF DECISION

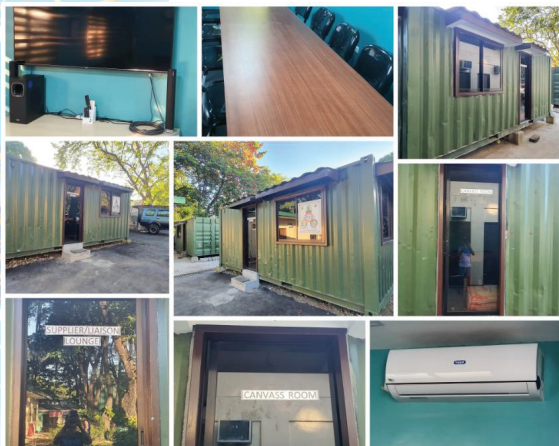
Pursuant to Appendix 29 Paragraph 5 of the Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act Number 9184, Guidelines for the Establishment of Negative List of Surety and/or Insurance Companies, the Philippine Army has found reasonable cause and issues this Notice of Decision to:

- Name and Address of Surety Company
Miss MELLIE A. VIRREY
Mister LODGIE M. EVANGELISTA
Liberty Insurance Corporation
JCS Building, 119 Dela Rosa Corner Palanca Streets
Laguna Village, Makati City
- Surety Bond Number: 166015
- Contract of Suretyship: (See attached)
- Ground for its Inclusion: Refusal or failure of the Liberty Insurance Corporation to honor the claim against the surety bond number 166015 upon written demand of the procuring entity for whom the same was issued.
- Effects of Inclusion
 - The inclusion in the negative list shall result in the rejection of the surety bonds issued by the suspended surety/insurance company submitted as bid, performance, or warranty security in the relevant procurement activities of National Government Agencies, Government Owned or Controlled Corporations, government financial institutions, state universities and colleges and local government units during the period of inclusion and suspension;
 - The Bids and Awards Committee shall ensure that surety bonds issued as bid, performance, or warranty security submitted are not issued by surety companies included in the list. Any bidder who submits a surety bond issued by a surety company in the negative list shall be declared ineligible; and
 - Considering that surety companies are subject to the jurisdiction and supervision of the Insurance Commission, the list may serve as basis for the pursuit of complaints filed before the Insurance Commission, if any.
- Sanction Imposed
Disqualification for a period of one (1) year from 3 JUN 2020 to 3 JUN 2021 from participating in the procurement activities of all government projects.

GILBERT I. GAPAY
Lieutenant General AFP

Honor, Patriotism, Duty.

performance bond and was able to collect the amount of 11,725,425.00 from Travelers Insurance Surety Corporation.



Container vans were developed by PAPC into Covid-19 Prevention Facilities

PAPC DEVELOPS COVID-19 PREVENTION FACILITIES

From PA Procurement Center

FORT BONIFACIO, TAGUIG CITY– Philippine Army Procurement Center (PAPC) headed by COL MANOLO V. SANTIAGO PA initiated the enhancement of two container vans donated by Army Support Command. Through the resourcefulness of Colonel Santiago and the generosity of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Logistics, G4, Philippine Army, PAPC was able to develop the said vans into conference room type facilities that will serve as suppliers and liaison Non Commission Officers'

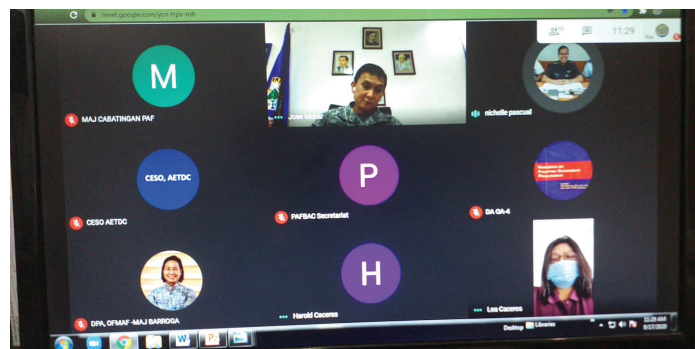
lounge and venue for small value and shopping modes of procurement as well as venue for canvass proceedings. When asked if the facilities are air conditioned, Colonel Santiago said that the container vans are equipped with air-conditioning units, television, complete set of tables and chairs and a free Wi-Fi access for clients. **"The facilities are designed as venue for a prolonged work or transaction thus, nothing to worry"** COL SANTIAGO added. Likewise, this will also lessen the face to face contacts between clients and PAPC personnel which will surely minimize the possible spread of COVID19.



GUIDELINES TO CLIENTS DURING COVID-19

By PAF Procurement Center

VILLAMOR AIR BASE, PASAY CITY - The Commanding Officer of the Philippine Air Force Procurement Center (PAFPC) LTC JOSELITO C MUNAR, PAF, together with the representatives from OA-4, Air Force MFO, Air Force Judge Advocate, Air Force Finance Center and Air Force Internal Audit including the suppliers and contractors had a dialogue regarding the guidelines to be implemented during this Covid-19 pandemic at the PAFPC conference room thru video teleconferencing in the morning of 17 September 2020. Having a discussion with suppliers and contractors, LTC MUNAR reminded their clients that the PAFPC is always open to serve and assist them with their concerns and requirements even during this pandemic. He also stressed that he is willing to personally address the issues and concerns of suppliers with regards to the procurement transactions. Moreover, the Commanding Officer of PAFPC called on all proponents or suppliers to adhere to their respective PAF contracts with complete necessary documents to avoid delay in the transactions. He also said that issues and concerns of the end-users with PAFPC must be ironed out immediately to preserve the upright bond between the unit and the suppliers. This initiative is in line with the guidance from Headquarters AFPPS for all subordinate units to improve their services to their clients including the catered units since they are the very reason why AFPPS is created.



LTC JOSELITO C MUNAR PAF, CO of PAFPC conducts dialogue with their clients thru VTC.

PNPC UNDERGOES PRE-AGI

From PN Procurement Center

BONIFACIO NAVAL STATION, TAGUIG CITY – The Inspector General of the AFP Procurement Service COL EUGENIO GARCIA PA together with the representatives of the different staff of the Command as members of the inspecting team conducted the regular Pre-Annual General Inspection (Pre-AGI) for 2020 to Philippine Navy Procurement Center (PNPC) on 10 November 2020. The purpose of the AGI is to assess the operational readiness of PNPC and check if the unit is adhering to the provisions of Republic Act 9184 and other AFP policies and prescribed rules and regulations in all its transactions and evaluate the overall capability and effectiveness and effectiveness of the Center.

The AGI team was received by CAPTAIN ROMULO K VIGILANCIA PN, the Chief of PNPC who rendered foyer honor as part of the usual military traditional given to visiting

military officers. The inspection started with the briefing of the unit's head prior to the open forum and the inspection of documents and facilities by the inspecting team. The inspection centered on the scorecards and overall performance of the unit which geared towards attaining the goal and targets reflected in support to the AFP Transformation Roadmap of the Command. Other parameters that were looked into were the unit's leadership, morale and welfare of troops, mission accomplishment, financial resources management, personnel readiness and operation readiness. During the exit briefing, the inspecting team gave a high rating to PNPC which lifted the morale of the personnel. The inspecting team on the other hand relayed to PNPC its minor negative findings to be corrected in order for the unit to render a much more improved service to its clients or catered unit.



COL EUGENIO B GARCIA PA (GSC), IG, AFPPS together with his team conducting inspection at PNPC.



The open forum during the Pre-AGI inspection at PNPC.

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PROCUREMENT ACTIVITIES NEVER STOP AT GHQPC

From GHQ Procurement Center

CAMP AGUINALDO, QUEZON CITY - According to Napoleon Bonaparte "The amateurs discuss tactics, the professionals discuss logistics". Hence at GHQPC, procurement activities never stop to support the logistical requirements of 57 units under Program 4. Regular and routine office activities, several hands-on participants to procurement happenings were undertaken to ensure compliance with legal process and to fast track the logistical needs of said units.

To further improve the procurement operations, management meetings with the Logistics and Budget Officers, MFO of Program 4 units and with the suppliers were held on the 4th quarter of 2020. The meeting were further reinforced by LTC RONIE C SANTA CATALINA PA, from the Office of the Financial Management, AFP and MAJ TACLOB PA, from the office of the Chief Engineer, AFP as the resource speakers. The meeting was highlighted by the discussion on GHQPC observations of CY 2020 procurement processing, opportunities for improvement and important disseminations.

The management meeting is being conducted regularly by GHQPC which has become a venue for the clarification and dissemination of higher headquarters' directives in relation to procurement. It aims to provide coherence and soundness in the conduct of procurement activities of the Center and all Program 4 units. The Commanding Officer of GHQ procurement Center LTC SHERWIN ROMULO S AGAG PAF, emphasized the timely and accuracy in processing all Unit Procurement Requests in order to preempt the delay of procurement transactions. Moreover, LTC AGAG presented the three units that garnered the earliest processing timeline as shown below:



LTC SHERWIN ROMULO S AGAG PAF, CO of GHQPC lecturing to the Operations, Logistics & Budget Officers of Program 4 units on how to further improve the Procurement transactions.

| END USER | UPR RECEIPT | CANVASS | NOA | ORS | NTP | DELIVERY | COMPLETED | TOTAL NR OF DAYS |
|----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------------|
| OTIA | 14-Oct-20 | 21-Oct-20 | 21-Oct-20 | 23-Oct-20 | 27-Oct-20 | 28-Oct-20 | 3-Nov-20 | 21 |
| AFPCC | 13-Oct-20 | 21-Oct-20 | 21-Oct-20 | 23-Oct-20 | 27-Oct-20 | 28-Oct-20 | 4-Nov-20 | 20 |
| GHQPC | 16-Oct-20 | 21-Oct-20 | 21-Oct-20 | 23-Oct-20 | 26-Oct-20 | 27-Oct-20 | 3-Nov-20 | 18 |



On the other hand, GHQPC expeditiously processed a total of 1,594 purchase orders/ work orders/contract agreements with a total contract amount of **PhP136,319,466.22** for the 3rd Quarter of 2020 up to 30 October 2020 of the alternative modes of procurement.

Meanwhile, as the Secretary of GHQ-AFP Technical Inspection and Acceptance Committee (TIAC) CPT LLOYD B ANSINO PAF, joined the other members of TIAC and inspected the delivered projects and other delivered goods as follows:

- ✓ Customization of KM450 Military Truck in Mobile Command Center for the ASR, PA with an amount of PhP8,130,680.00;
- ✓ Various Information and Communication Technology Equipment (ICTE) of CEISSAFP with an amount of PhP9,893,221.77;
- ✓ Repair of AFP Finance Center Building in the amount of PhP2,829,149.25; and
- ✓ Other Infra Projects of GHQPC catered Units/Offices.



Likewise, the Center has facilitated the timely processing of 26 AFP Modernization Projects relative to payment, namely, opening of **15 Letter of Credits** to authorized Government depository banks with the different currencies of **EUR16,125,107.55**; **PhP10,892,384,289.96**; and **USD122,261,477.97**; and issuance of advice of payments with a collective amount of **PhP1,801,690,486.05** and **USD7,283,728.11**.



"You will not find it difficult to prove that battles, campaigns, and even wars have been won or lost primarily because of logistics".

Dwight D. Eisenhower

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THE MONOTONOUS ACTIVITY

From 101st Contracting Office

Every weekdays are brand new days, with full of strength. Everyday routine life comprises the ways in which personnel of 101st Contracting Office (CO) typically act, think, and feel on daily activities specifically the delivery of procured goods and items intended for the catered units in support to the accomplishment of every unit's mission. Being one of the subordinate units of the AFP Procurement Service having the most number of transactions averaging 1,550 purchase orders per year, it is imperative to find ways on how to make the things done without sacrificing the procurement process and the quality of outputs. However, everyday life may be described as mundane routine of 101st CO Family.

Beyond these activities, 101st CO personnel also participated the nationwide earthquake drill spearheaded by the Headquarters Service Battalion of 1ID, PA at Kuta Major Cesar L Sang-an, Pulacan, Labangan, Zamboanga del Sur.



101st participates to NSED

2nd Sem Accomplishments

From 102nd Contracting Office

TANAY, RIZAL - The Technical Inspection and Acceptance Committee (TIAC) together with MAJ EMERSON R LARUA PN (M), the Chief of 102nd Contracting Office (CO) inspected the 3,220 pieces of Pre-printed ID Cards, 203 pieces Celox and 48 pieces Plasma Expander with a total amount of 981,055.00 which were delivered by the supplier to the 2nd Infantry Division with the participation of 102nd CO.



102nd inspects delivered items for 2ID

On 21 September 2020, MAJ LARUA presided the opening of canvass of the bidding of the lot survey of boundary relocation at San Andres Military reservation which is a project of the Division Real Estate Office of the 2ID, PA. The winning bidder was Engr Bienvenido A Cacatian Jr having the lowest bid of 996,500.00. On October 23, MAJ LARUA attended the Budget Execution Process Review at the OAFM, 2ID, PA. Prior to the start of said conference, MAJ LARUA briefed all the catered units and reminded all the stakeholders on their responsibilities in order to improve the procurement system of 2ID. Additionally, MAJ LARUA also reminded the catered units on the "no facemask and no disinfectant" no transaction policy of his office.



MAJ LARUA presides canvass opening.

On 29 October 2020, all personnel of the office attended the three days Refresher Training on GAD which was conducted by Headquarters 2ID, PA. On 12 November 2020, the personnel of this unit cleared and repaired the facilities that were badly devastated by typhoon Ulysis.



Clearing debris of Typhoon Ulysses

3ID SBAC Opens Canvass Proposal

From 103 Contracting Office



BGEN DESOYO presiding canvass opening.

JAMINDAN, CAPIS - The 3ID, PA Special Bids and Award Committee (SBAC) conducted the opening of canvass proposal on 04 September 2020 for the six projects of 53rd Engineering Brigade, PA. The event was presided by BGEN ALBERTO C DESOYO PA, the chairperson of the SBAC of 3ID, PA.

MAJ FARCON G CANAUGAN PA, the Chief of 103rd Contracting Office of AFPPS and concurrently the head Secretariat of the SBAC facilitated the opening of canvass proposal for the Negotiated Procurement 53.2 (Emergency Cases) composed of six projects with the total amount of Php 47,883,922.67 held at the conference room of the headquarters of 3rd Infantry Division. After thorough verification and validation of all the statements made and document submitted, the supply and delivery of construction materials for 52 units of single detached 2-bedroom Core Shelters were awarded to Iloilo Grand Emperor Trading Corporation while the supply & delivery of Fuel, Oil and Lubricants were awarded to MJL Shell Station and Hinigaran Petron Service Station subject for the issuance of notice of award. Likewise, the 3ID SBAC conducted the Receipt and Opening of bid Envelope (ROBE) on 03 November 2020 for the four projects of 53rd Engineering Brigade, PA which was presided by COL LENNON G BABILONIA PA, the Vice Chairperson of the SBAC of 3ID, PA.

In another occasion, MAJOR CANAUGAN facilitated the ROBE at the headquarters of Camp Macario Peralta Jr based at Jamindan, Capiz. The three lot projects were supply and delivery of materials for the construction of 100-units single detached two Bedrooms Core Shelter for the three different locations (Kabankalan City, Tanjay City, Negros Occidental and Ibayay Aklan) are projects of the 53rd Engineering Brigade of the PA amounting to Php33,885,530.00. The housing project was funded by the office of the Presidential Adviser on Peace Process or OPAPP intended for the former rebels who recently returned to the mainstream society.

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Chief 104th Lectures to Clients

From 104th Contracting Office



CPT PECAYO lectures on APP/PPMP formulation.

CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY - CPT MOISES L PECAYO PA, chief of 104th Contracting Office lectured on procurement process and crafting of Annual Procurement Plan and Project Procurement Management Plan during the conduct of Fund Accountable Officer seminar and workshop conducted by 10th Finance Service Field Office on 28 October 2020 at Camp Edilberto Evangelista, Patag, Cagayan De Oro City which was attended by Special Disbursing Officers and NCOs and Logistics Officers and NCOs. During the lecture, the participants shoot many questions to CPT PECAYO especially on the procurement process which the latter answered. CPT PECAYO also tackled some topics on the implementing rules of RA 9184 which satisfied the participants.

Chief 105th Reminds Suppliers

From 105th Contracting Office

GAMU, ISABELA - The chief of 105th Contracting Office, MAJ EFREN A BANGAYAN PA invited the eligible suppliers on 29 July 2020 and reminded them on the updates of procurement procedures pertaining to his observations that there are procurement projects which exceeded the allowable timeline due to the negligence on the part of the contractors or suppliers to renew their required documents that resulted to the delay of contract implementation. He told his clients that his office is following a specific timeline hence, he is liable to his Commander and the Commander of the catered units once the project is delayed. Similarly, MAJ BANGAYAN gathered all the procurement



MAJ BANGAYAN engaging stakeholders.

Non-commission Officers (NCO) of the catered units on 16 October 2020 and conducted lecture regarding the provisions of Government Procurement Reform Act or the so-called RA 9184. He discussed the different modes of procurement, the procurement flow and the signatories on the approval of contracts or purchase orders and other related topics about procurement. Along his lecture, he also disseminated his negative observations pertaining to the identified gaps or reasons on the delay of procurement operations that hampers the normal flow of procurement. He cited the most common problem being encountered by his office which is the submission of Unit Procurement Request (UPR) with lacking documents which causes delay in the transaction which usually results to the delayed delivery of the needed items by the catered units. As a sort of dialogue, many of the participants

raised their issues and concerns on the predicaments that they usually experience as procurement NCOs. Others said that in some occasions, they are just following the desire of their commanders which sometimes leads to the correction of their UPRs thus, causing delay. At the end of the lecture, all queries were answered. MAJ BANGAYAN ended pleading to the procurement NCOs that the problems encountered in 2020 should not be repeated in 2021. "I am hopeful that same problems will not arise again next year otherwise, our meeting today is futile" MAJ BANGAYAN added. Before the group dispersed, MAJ BANGAYAN shared his contact number and encouraged the participants to personally contact him in case of any problem or inquiries related to their job.

106th CO Holds Procurement Seminar Workshop

From 106th Contracting Office

DATU ODIN SINSUAT, MAGUINDANAO - The 106th Contracting Office under the leadership of MAJOR VITALICO B SACOSO JR PA, initiated the conduct of management meeting attended by Procurement NCOs and civilian employees of operationally controlled units by 6ID, PA at Camp Siongco, Datu Odin Sinsuat, Maguindanao. The attendees were divided into two groups in order to properly implement social distancing. The meeting with the 1st group was done in the morning, while the 2nd group was in the afternoon. MAJ SACOSO highlighted the revised implementing rules of Republic Act 9184 and also emphasized the usual defects noted in the Unit's Purchase Orders during the 1st, 2nd and 3rd quarter of 2020 that were submitted to their office. During the open forum, each participant was given the chance to raise his/her issues and concerns in relation to their job as Logistics NCO.



MAJ SACOSO lectures to proc NCOs/CHR

Chief 107th, 7ID TIAC Inspect Procured Items

From 107th Contracting Office

PALAYAN CITY - On 21 October 2020, MAJOR CECILIO C MADRID PA, Chief of 107th Contracting Office together with the 7ID, PA Technical Inspection and Acceptance Committee headed by COL FLORANTE P SISON PA, inspected the two delivered units of passenger van intended for 7ID, PA.

Likewise, MAJ MADRID attended the Budget Execution and Programs Review and consultative meeting for year 2020 at the officer's club house of 7ID, PA at Fort Ramon Magsaysay, Nueva Ecija. He also attended the Integrated Resource Management seminar and workshop on 10-12 November 2020 at the Headquarters of Special Forces Regiment at Fort Ramon Magsaysay, Nueva Ecija.

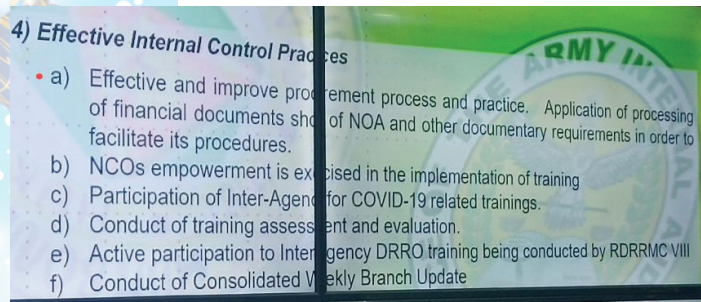


TIAC mbrs inspecting procured Van for 7ID

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OAIA Appreciates Procurement Process

From 108th Contracting Office



OAIA appreciates procurement process at 8ID

CATBALOGAN, SAMAR - The Office of the Army Internal Auditor (OAIA) conducted its baseline assessment of internal control to the 8ID, PA. When LTC JUDY C PASCUA PA, the Chief of 108th Contracting Office attended the exit briefing of the OAIA thru video teleconferencing, one of the strengths noted on their assessment report was "effective and improved procurement process and practice. This is due to the application of processing of financial documents short of Notice of Award (NOA) and other documentary requirements in order to facilitate its procedures."

The elating report is a rewarding comment from higher Headquarters because this reflects the fruit of the labor of the unit and the excellent procurement activities of 8ID, PA as catered unit. The continuous conduct of stakeholders' management meeting of the Chief of 108th Contracting Office with the end goal of fast tracking the procurement transactions of the end-users finally bears fruit.

109TH CO Supports "Bangon Bicolandia"

From 109th Contracting Office

PILI, CAMARINES SUR - The Chief of 109th Contracting Office (CO) Major Mir-I-Nisa S Carbonel Philippine Army, partnered with AKLATAN sa KOSTAL, a non-government organization (NGO) based in Mercedes, Camarines Norte on its "Bangon Bicolandia" donation drive in the procurement, repacking and distribution of relief goods on 07 November 2020. The packed relief goods is composed of rice, groceries, hygiene kit, bottled water, medicines, surgical face masks, used clothes, blankets and towels for the hundreds of individuals from Partido, Camarines Sur who were affected by the past typhoons that struck the province. On 22 November 2020, 109th CO assisted the same NGO in helping the more or less 300 beneficiaries from Barangay Mambongalon and Gaboc in Mercedes, Camarines Norte who were heavily devastated during the onslaught of typhoon Rolly and Ulysses. The said activity was made possible through the help of kindhearted individuals who voluntarily offered their time, effort and money for the less fortunate individuals. The hearts of the leaders of these various organizations and generous private individuals were touched upon seeing the affected families in the evacuation areas who are in need of food, shelter and clothes.



Relief goods for typhoon victims



Relief goods distribution

Adapting to the New Normal

From 110th Contracting Office

LAPU-LAPU, CEBU CITY - The Chief of 110th Contracting Office MAJ MARVIN P CASPILLO PA, engaged the stakeholders and assured them of an unhampered services such as procurement operations amidst the dreadful COVID-19 pandemic by adapting to the so-called new normal in order to keep the continuous flow of activities of the catered units uninterrupted. Unless a reliable vaccine for the virus is developed, we need to brace for the challenges and think outside the box and devise practices that would help the unit in the implementation of procurement activities without sacrificing rules and regulations pertaining to procurement. As Albert Einstein said, "We cannot solve our problems with the same thinking we used when we created them".



On 10 November 2020, MAJ CASPILLO attended the consultative meeting thru video teleconferencing with the "procurement team" of 53rd Engineer Brigade, PA headed by BGEN GERARDO CATINDOY PA. The activity was participated by the resident auditor Ms Melianita S Quirante, MAJ ANN M LIBRADILLA PA, the acting Commanding Officer of 7th Finance Service Field Office, MAJ CHESTESR ARNEL M ORDONIO PA, the chief MFO of 53EBde and Ms Rissa E Imperial, the Head Accountant.

111th CO Maintains Physical Fitness

From 111th Contracting Office

MANOLO FORTICH, BUKIDNON

- The Chief of 111th Contracting Office LTC ZEIEL N ZELGA PA, is implementing to her unit the guidance of the commander of AFP Procurement Service which is to maintain a physically fit body as this is the primary capital of a unit in accomplishing its mission thus, the latter enjoins her personnel to find time to do exercise at least twice a week in order to stay strong and healthy. According to her, this is one way of boosting one's immune system to fight any disease such as the dreadful corona virus that tries to attack the body.



LTC ZELGA leads athletic activity every Tuesday/Thursday



On 16 September 2020, LTC ZELGA headed her personnel and participated in the virtual fun run dubbed as "MENTOR'S RUN 2020" conducted by the Air Force Education Training and Doctrine Command which was held at the Headquarters of 52nd Engineer Brigade, PA wherein all personnel of the detached services and tenant units were invited. The categories of the fun run were 3km for female and 5 km for male participants. The categories of the fun run were 3km run intended for female participants while 5 km run for the male participants. The activity started at 5:30 and ended at around 7:30 in the morning of the same day.

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Chief, 112TH Attends Refresher Seminar

From 112th Contracting Office

CAMP ATIENZA, QUEZON CITY - The Chief of 112th Contracting Office attended thru online, the Integrated Resource Management Seminar with the theme: "Propelling Recovery Through Crisis Proof Resource Management" from 10-12 November 2020 which was conducted by the Office of the Army Financial Management (OAFM). The activity is a refresher seminar which is annually conducted by the OAFM in collaboration with the office of the ACS for Logistics, G4, PA which aims to attain the Army Transformation Roadmap Strategic Objective adopting effective and efficient management of resources. The activity was participated by PA Offices, whose primary responsibility revolves on the financial resources, logistics, supplies and properties, accounting, and internal audit of the PA.



LTC ROCIO, Chief, 112th CO attending webinar

Other attendees of the said seminar thru online were the Chief, MFO of, 51EBde, PA and ACS for Logistics of 51EBde held at the conference room of Camp General Rigoberto J Atienza, Libis, Quezon City.

113th CO Holds Stakeholder Engagement

From 113th Contracting Office



LTC DUQUEZ lecturing to Procurement Officers/NCOs of TRADOC

CAPAS, TARLAC - The 113th Contracting Office headed by LTC MICHAEL P DUQUEZ PA, held a stakeholder engagement on 04 September 2020 which was attended by procurement Officers and key NCOs of the Training and Doctrine Command, Philippine Army. The activity aims to enhance the knowledge of the participants in the procurement process and determines the problems that cause the delay in the procurement transactions of the units. The participants were also lectured on the procurement flow to help in streamlining the timeline of their Unit's transactions. At the end of the activity, the participants learned that teamwork among offices and personnel involved in the procurement process is essential so as to effectively and efficiently execute the proper procurement transactions of every project as reflected in the Annual Procurement Plan and that constant coordination is one of the key to ensure the smooth transactions and to attain the desired result in procurement process.

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114th CO Facilitates Bids of Infra Projects

From 114th Contracting Office

CABATANGAN, ZAMBOANGA CITY - The Secretariat of the Special Bids and Awards Committee (SBAC) of 11ID, PA CDR ALEXANDER J ORIO PN, facilitated the submission and opening of bids and evaluation for the ten various infrastructure projects of 11ID, PA



CDR ORIO facilitates submission/opening of bids.

on 12 November 2020 at the conference room of 54th Engineer Brigade, PA with an approved budget cost of 89,701,135.16. BGEN MANUEL V SEQUITIN PA, the Chairperson of SBAC, 11ID, PA commended the members of the SBAC, technical working group and the SBAC Secretariat for the successful conduct of the activity.

Meanwhile, the chief of 114th Contracting Office conducted consultative meeting among the procurement personnel of the catered units and tackled important issues in relation to procurement transactions. They were able to resolve problems being encountered in the process and came up with recommendations that will surely contribute to the improvement of the office in its procurement operations.



201st CO Inspects Medical Drugs

From 201st Contracting Office

Air Force City, Clark Pampanga - The Chief of 201st Contracting Office MAJ RICHARD A TABANIAG PAF, together with the members of the Technical Inspections and Acceptance Committee headed by the Chairman COL EDMON B GUPIT PAF Inspected the delivered drugs and medicines for the use of Air Logistics Command on 07 October 2020. The drugs and medicines are intended for the Air Force city hospital under LTC TERESITA NABUA MC, the Commanding Officer of the said hospital. The medicines were delivered on time by the winning proponent based on the agreement stipulated in the contract. The Biomed Medical Distributors won the project for having the lowest calculated bid amounting to Php1,688,558.80.



TIAC inspecting delivered medicines for Air Logistics Hosp

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3rd, 4th Quarter Significant Activities

From 202nd Contracting Office

LIPA CITY, BATANGAS - In compliance with the safety measures against COVID 19, the 202nd Contracting Office thru the leadership of LTC JOEL K VERGARA PAF, is implementing its own health safety protocols. Proper sanitation and disinfection are strictly observed in its premises to avoid further spread of the dreadful virus.



Hand sanitization Hand Washing Temperature Check Office Disinfection

From 1st of July to the 19th of November 2020, this unit has facilitated 29 Unit Procurement Requests (UPRs) as per Annual Procurement Plan (APP) with a total amount of Php 12,416,728.26 as Approved Budget Contract (ABC), leaving behind a remainder of Php 91,663.76. Moreover, the unit was able to facilitate an extra 30 UPRs from special releases with a total ABC of Php 28,134,676.00 leaving a residual of Php 54,205.00.

On the other hand, the TIAC inspection for Public Bidding in FAB, Lipa City is headed by COL NALDOZA JR PAF, Chief of Command Staff assisted by Lieutenant Colonel Vergara and his personnel inspected the quality and quantity of the aircraft parts delivered by the suppliers. The inspection was supposedly done at Villamor Air Base but because of Covid-19, the inspection is being done in Fernando Air Base since the emergence of the pandemic.

The recent typhoons that struck the country had made



Repair of building destroyed by Typhoon

the personnel of 202nd Contracting Office busy. The personnel participated in the cleaning of the unit's compound such as clearing of fallen branches of trees, unclogging of canals, trimming of trees and fixing of dilapidated facilities.

On morale and welfare of troops, two personnel of this officenamely; TSg Carbolledo PAF and TSg Ocana PAF appeared before the Promotional Board thru video teleconferencing for interview for promotion to the next higher rank via Video



Promotion board deliberation via Zoom.

301st CO receives Recognition

From 301st Contracting Office



301st CO receives award for a job well done from NFNL

SAN FERNANDO CITY, LA UNION - The 301st Contracting Office was awarded a certificate of recognition on 22 October 2020 by no less than the Commander of Naval Forces Northern Luzon (NFNL) Commodore Caesar Bernard N Valencia PN in a simple ceremony during the celebrating of its 43rd Founding Anniversary. The celebration was highlighted by the awarding and recognition of exemplary Officers, Enlisted Personnel, Civilian Human Resources and best unit of the Command including stakeholders that contributed immensely in the accomplishment of their mission. The Command also recognized its operationally and tactically controlled units including tenant units in which 301st Contracting Office is among them. The certificate of recognition was received by its Chief, LTC RICKY B MACARAEG PA. During their conference, LTC MACARAEG thanked his personnel for the award that their unit received. ***"The recognition that the unit received is an indication that we are on the right track and that the services we rendered to the catered unit is satisfactory. However, let us not be contented. Let us continue to exert more efforts and aim for excellence"*** Macaraeg said.

Precautionary Measures Against COVID-19

From 302 Contracting Office



Health protocols prevent Covid-19 spread

SANGLEY POINT, CAVITE - The 302nd Contracting Office Personnel, spearheaded by LCDR CHRISTOPHER Q CARGO PN, made sure that his personnel in the unit especially the personnel are Covid free.

As a precautionary measure, constant reminders were given to personnel. Wearing of face mask and face shield is a must. Monthly supplies of vitamins C, disposable face mask and face shield were also distributed to the personnel. Alcohol dispensers were installed beside the receiving window, front door and inside the office including a thermal scanner which is installed at the main door to monitor body temperature. Moreover, regular disinfection of the office, proper hygiene and physical distancing among the personnel are strictly observed. Likewise, stakeholders and visitors are entertained at the window to prevent the spread of the virus.

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Educating the Catered Units

From 303rd Contracting Office

LEGASPI CITY, ALBAY – The Chief of 30rd Contracting Office, CDR O LUNAS PN, lectured on the provisions of Republic Act 9184 also known as the Government Procurement Reform Act and its 2016 Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) during the weekly Naval Forces Southern Luzon (NFSL) Staff Conference on 20 July 2020 at the War Room of the said unit. Commander



CDR LUNAS lectures RA9184 to personnel of NFNL.

Lunas briefly explained the salient provisions of the said law and its IRR. Also included in the lecture were the AFP procurement system, the brief history of AFPPS, the Procurement Flow and the timelines for the minimum and maximum allowable calendar days in each procurement stage. He also emphasized not only the roles of 303rd CO but also the roles of catered units and counterpart offices for the prompt completion of the procurement process. Likewise, he appraised the attendees on the accomplishment report of NFSL and Naval Installation and Facilities Southern Luzon (NIF-SL) vis-a-vis their programmed projects in the Annual Procurement Plan (APP). Moreover, the approved APP for year 2020 of NFSL and NIF-SL were also presented and were noticed to have few corrections specifically in the modes of procurement of some account titles hence, Commander Lunas offered assistance in the crafting of the respective APPs of NFSL and NIF-SL for year 2021. During the interaction, there were several questions raised and were answered by the latter. At the end of the discussion, the Chief of Staff of the NFSL Colonel Noel A Lauro Philippine Navy, expressed his gratitude to the Chief of 303rd Contracting Office for the comprehensive presentation and updates regarding procurement process. Other personnel present during the short lecture were the Field Accountant, Supply Accountable Officer and the Legal Officer of the NFSL.

Engaging the Catered Units

From 304th Contracting Office

SAN ANTONIO ZAMBALES - The Chief of 304th Contracting Office LTC NASUL A SAJILI PAF invited the Logistics officer and MFO of their client and had brainstorming for fresh ideas and energetic perspective to develop extensive and easy way of procuring supplies and materials and delivery without delay. The invited officers during the meeting were the Logistics Officer of Naval Education Training and Doctrine Command (NETDC) LCDR TERESITA LEGASPI PN and the MFO of the said unit ENS LEAH ANN F MACAPUGAY

PN. Meanwhile, LTC SAJILI is also regularly meeting with the resident Auditor Ms Juanita Figueroa and discusses things related to their job in order to avoid Audit Observation Memorandum. This is also to further enhance the camaraderie between the personnel of 304th Contracting Office and the various units of the NETDC, the suppliers and other government entities.



LTC SAJILI brainstorming w/ ofrs of catered units

With regards to physical fitness, the 304th CO personnel headed by its Chief is regularly participating in the weekly conduct of "Kalas-Buto", a physical fitness activity of NETDC in order to maintain their physical fitness. LTC SAJILI believes that physical conditioning and physique of the personnel will help boost the energy and stamina of the body to fight the COVID-19 pandemic and also in preparation for the Annual Physical Fitness Test.

305th CO Year End Activities

From 305th Contracting Office

LAPU-LAPU CITY,

CEBU - On 09 July

2020, the local TIAC

Team of BGen Benito

N Ebuon Air Base

(BGBNEAB) facilitated

the inspection and

acceptance of two

main landing gear

and one drag shaft in

the amount of PhP 7,

624,000 for the use

of nomad aircraft

tail number C68 of

220th Airlift Wing. The members of the Technical Inspection

and Acceptance Committee (TIAC) took advantage to inspect



TIAC mbrs inspecting procured Aircraft spare parts



Inspection of procured Treadmill

the projects while there is an ongoing travel ban due to the pandemic. The said Aircraft is already put in full mission capable and back for flying operations.

On 15 October 2020, COL MOISES L MICOR PAF, the chairman of BGBNEAB TIAC team facilitated the inspection and acceptance of one

unit of Treadmill Stress Test machine in the amount PhP 2,447,450.00 public bidding project by the PAF intended for BGBNEAB, Hospital based in Lulu-lapu City. The TIAC was activated to facilitated public bidding projects due to. This Stress Test machine is essential to the BGBNEAB Hospital because the said machine is being used by PAF personnel assigned in the area in the conduct of annual physical examination during their reenlistment and Promotion.

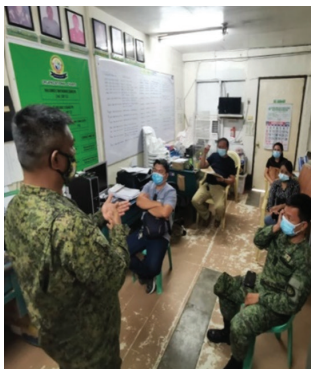
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306th CO Engages Stakeholders

From 306th Contracting Office

CAMP PANACAN, DAVAO CITY

The 306th Contracting Office (CO) headed by MAJ DARIO K WAYAGWAG PA conducted Stakeholders Engagement meeting on 12 November 2020 which was attended by the suppliers purposely to reiterate to them the timely delivery of the supplies to be able to meet the objectives of procurement operation in completing the transaction within the prescribed timeline which is usually on or before the last date of the obligation date.



MAJ WAYAGWAG Engaging Stakeholders



Inspection of Procured Supplies

The 306th (CO) is originally catering the two Area Commands and one Infantry Division namely; Naval Installation and Facilities Central Mindanao, Eastern Mindanao Command and 10ID, PA. The recent upgrade on the Logistical

requirements of Tactical Operations Wing Eastern Mindanao Command of the PAF paved way to additional task of catering the procurement requirements of the said unit. In entirety, the 306th CO is now catering two Area Commands and one Infantry Division and one Tactical Operations Wing of the PAF. Despite the challenges, the 306th CO is able to perform its mandated task of providing timely delivery of supplies and materiel. Such accomplishment is attributed to the dedication and workmanship of personnel who willingly work even beyond the working hours with a smile.

NOLCOM Gets New Commander

From 401st Contracting Office

SAN MIGUEL, TARLAC – The Chief of 401st Contracting Office LTC LOVE JOY B SEVILLO PAF, attended the turnover of Command ceremony of Northern Luzon (NOLCOM) Command between the outgoing commander LTGEN RAMIRO MANUEL A REY PA, and the incoming Commander MGEN ARNULFO MARCELO B BURGOS JR PA on 07 September 2020. LTGEN REY is a graduate of the PMA Class of 1986 who retired from the military upon reaching the mandatory retirement age of 56 accumulating a total number of 37 years in the military service. He was succeeded by MGEN BURGOS of PMA class of 1988 who is the former commander of 2nd Infantry Division prior to his assumption as the new NOLCOM Commander. The activity was witnessed by the unit commanders under the area of responsibility of NOLCOM.



MGEN BURGOS PA, assumes as NOLCOM Commander effective 07 September 2020.

Commander, AFPPS visits 402 CO

From 402nd Contracting Office

CAMP NAKAR, LUCENA CITY

– The Commander of Armed Forces of the Philippines Procurement Service BGEN RAMON J GUIANG PAF, visited the 402nd Contracting Office stationed at the Headquarters of Southern Luzon Command, Camp Nakar Lucena City on 07 September 2020. Upon his arrival in the area, Brig Gen Guiang immediately proceeded to his former unit which is the Tactical Operations Wing-Southern Luzon wherein its Commander COL LLEWILYN S BANAAG PAF tendered him arrival honors. After which, BGEN GUIANG paid a courtesy call to the commander of Southern Luzon Command (SOLCOM) who was out of the camp thus, represented by BGEN ANTONIO R LASTIMADO PA, the deputy commander of SOLCOM.



Arrival honor tendered to BGEN GUIANG at TOWSOL

The visit of Commander, AFPPS and Party at 402nd Contracting Office is to reach out the personnel of the Luzon based Contracting Offices and personally see their condition as well as know their issues and concerns especially this time of pandemic. The Commander was briefed by MAJ RONALD ALLAN V OLE PA, the chief of 402nd Contracting Office (CO) on the status of personnel and accomplishments of the unit. The 402 CO personnel expressed their gratitude to BRIG GEN GUIANG for his indulgence in visiting their unit amidst the threat of the Corona Virus.



MAJ OLE, Chief of 402nd CO gives token to BGEN GUIANG during the latter's visit

403rd Supports Chapel Renovation

From 403rd Contracting Office

LAPU-LAPU, CEBU CITY – The 403rd Contracting Office under the leadership of CDR ALEX D GARSO PN, supported Central Luzon Command (CENTCOM) in the implementation of its projects such as the repair and maintenance of its facilities, delivery of office supplies and other supplies, upgrading of their Information Technology equipment and the repair of vehicles.



St Jude Thaddeus BEFORE



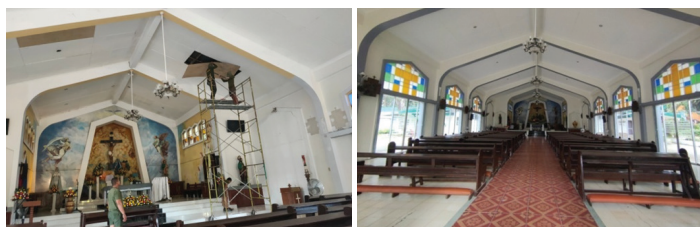
St Jude Thaddeus AFTER

This year, CENTCOM under the leadership of LTGEN ROBERTO T ANCAN PA, programmed the repair and maintenance of Saint Jude Thaddeus chapel with a bid amount of Php 485,850.00.

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Since the chapel was built on 01 June 1960, it undergone several repairs and enhancements in order to cater the spiritual needs of the increasing number of church goers in the community. As supporting unit, 403rd Contracting Office facilitated the procurement transactions for the delivery of construction materials to support the repair of said facility. The repair started on 06 July 2020 and was completed on 27 July 2020. The Command Engineer was the designated project administrator for the activity.



St Jude Thaddeus INSIDE BEFORE

St Jude Thaddeus INSIDE AFTER

It is observed in the past that during Christmas season, huge crowd of church goers used to flock the said chapel. It is expected then that the newly renovated chapel will be visited again by devotees of Saint Jude Thaddeus from outside the camp and dependents of military personnel as well.

404th CO Welcomes its New Chief

From 404th Contracting Office

Upper Calarian, Zamboanga City – The 404th Contracting Office got its new Chief in the person of CDR CESAR M MORALES JR PN. He replaced LIEUTENANT



CDR MORALES PN visits MGEN TIBAYAN PAF

JEROEN G RESUS PN, on 08 June 2020 during the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. LT RESUS was transferred to 302nd Contracting Office based in Sangley Point, Cavite and was designated as Executive Officer thereat. Prior to the replacement of LT RESUS, the former briefed first and walked through the newly designated Chief of Office on the flow of the daily activities of the office.

On 15 June 2020, CDR MORALES JR tog ether with the outgoing Chief of 404th CO paid courtesy call to all the unit commanders of catered units located inside the Western Mindanao Command wherein they thanked LT RESUS for the invaluable services he rendered to them. Likewise, the said Commanders welcomed CDR MORALES JR as the replacement of LT RESUS. "CDR MORALES, I hope that you will outsmart LT RESUS' performance" COLONEL LEO PEÑA jokingly told the new Chief of 404th CO. COL PEÑA who is the current Chief of Unified Command Staff of Western Mindanao Command advised CDR MORALES to always have an open communication to all the commanders of the catered units for the smooth flow of procurement transactions.

Internet Technology Hastens "Posqual"

From 405th Contracting Office

PUERTO PRINCESA CITY, PALAWAN - The Chief of 405th Contracting Office LTC FERDINAND D ATOS PN (M), assisted the GHQ Bids and Awards Committee 4 (GHQ BAC 4) in the conduct of post qualification inspection thru video teleconferencing on 08



LTC ATOS PN(M) joins post qualification inspection

September 2020. LTC ATOS acted as Secretariat for the team of Western Command (WESCOM) during the activity. The said project is the conversion of the old and idle Headquarters

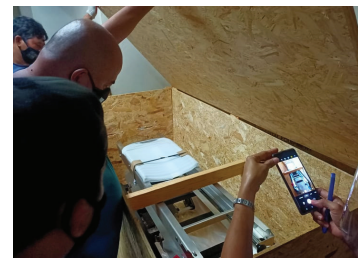
building into transient and training facility of WESCOM in order to make it productive. The project with a contract price amounting to Php 5,625,786.24 was awarded to Johnstar Trading and Construction of Puerto Princesa City for offering the lowest bid. The use of internet technology is really very important. In this particular case, it hastened and saved funds on the part of the members of GHQ BAC 4. Without the zoom application on the internet, the team would fly to Puerto Princesa City for the actual post qualification inspection and would incur more time and expences. Indeed, with the advent of new technology now-a-days, everything is possible.

AFPHSC Acquires Autoclave Steam Sterilizer

From 406th Contracting Office

V. LUNA ROAD, QUEZON

CITY - The AFP Health Service Command procured Autoclave Steam Sterilizer on 17 July 2020 which was facilitated by 406th Contracting Office under the stewardship of MAJ GABRIEL D TAYKO PA. The contract agreement was made between the AFP



Inspection of Autoclave Steam Sterilizer parts

represented by the Vice Chief of Staff of AFP, VAD GAUDENCIO C COLLADO JR, PN and Medmaster Incorporation represented by Joyce J Mendoza for the procurement of Autoclave Steam Sterilizer for the use of AFP Medical Center. The approved budget for the contract is 12 Million Pesos while the winning bid price was 11, 890,000.00 with a residual of 110,000.00 in favor of the government.



Autoclave Steam Sterilizer delivered by Medmaster Inc.

The said machine is very important in decontaminating hospital equipment and instruments. The use of Autoclave Steam Sterilizer is the most effective and radical process of germ elimination and kills all hazardous microorganisms thus, the acquisition is very timely considering the threat posed by the dreadful Corona Virus that we are facing. The prompt and quick processing of the 406th Contracting Office hasten the procurement of the said medical apparatus.

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Farewell Former Chief

From 407th Contracting Office



Last conf w/ LTC RIVERA PA before her optional retirement

her relief from 3rd Infantry Division where she also served with pride and distinction.

Considered as one of the pillars of the AFP Procurement Service on her early years, LTC RIVERA is reputed as dedicated, hardworking and transparent person as manifested in her unblemished record. Her image in different capacity bespeaks her indispensable reputation and indomitable character exhibited in all her dealings. With all these, she was a recipient of a command plaque and certificate of appreciation from no less than the superintendent of the PMA VAD ALLAN FERDINAND V CUSI PN and the commander of AFP Procurement Service (AFPPS) Brigadier General Ramon J Guiang Philippine Air Force respectively upon her graceful exit from the portals of the PMA and AFPPS.

It was 01 September this year when she relinquished her designation as Chief of Office wherein she was replaced by MAJ JENNIS S AZUCENA PA, in an informal turn-over of office thru a simple handing over of office resources, ongoing projects and other matters concerning with the mandate of the Office. The latter was formerly assigned in Headquarters AFPPS as Assistant PS3, Adjutant and Commander of Headquarters Support Unit from 01 September 2018 to 01 July 2019. She also served as the Assistant Chief of 101st Contracting Office based in the Headquarters of 11D, PA based in Camp Sang-an, Upper Pulacan, Labangan, Zamboanga del Sur from 01 July 2019 to 01 July 2020 before assuming his current designation. LTC RIVERA optionally retired upon accumulating 20 years in the military service. She is now happy serving her family as full time wife to her husband and a mother to her children.

Inspection of Procured, Delivered Items

From 408th Contracting Office

MALACAÑANG PALACE, MANILA - Despite the lockdown situation of Presidential Security Group (PSG) compound at Malacañang park, the 408th Contracting Office team still manage to expedite the inspection of procured and delivered items. The said inspection is being conducted by the Technical Inspection and Acceptance Committee of PSG together with the representatives of the Commission On Audit at the Supply Accountable Office of PSG.



TIAC members inspects procured supplies for PSG

The team meticulously examined the items to ensure that each and every items delivered are in accordance with the specifications stipulated under the respective Purchase Orders. Among the



Office MAJ WILLIAM DIROY PAF, together with the Logistics personnel of PSG had a coordinating conference regarding the roles of each and every one on the lockdown situation inside the PSG Compound. Another topic that was tackled during the conference was the update the of procurement status of the catered units. MAJ DIROY also explained some of the predicaments that sometimes cause delay on the delivery of goods by the suppliers. It was agreed then during the meeting that each unit will designate its Emergency Reaction Team (ERT) to pick-up supplies and/or any other items at the gate of PSG and deliver it to their respective destinations.

items inspected are the urban Battle Dress Uniform and customized rain coat for the PSG personnel and its Operationally Controlled units.

Moreover, the Chief of 408th Contracting

Year End Significant Activities

From 409th Contracting Office

CAMP AGUINALDO, QUEZON CITY –

The 409th Contracting Office under the leadership of CDR MARICHU L SAYAS PN, participated in the conduct of nationwide simultaneous earthquake drill on 10 September 2020. The activity is being conducted by the national government which is participated by all government agencies to test and validate the emergency preparedness, evacuation plan and readiness of every individual including those that are in the private sector. After the drill, CDR SAYAS gathered her personnel and reiterated to them the importance of religiously participating in the earthquake drill because this will serve as a rehearsal on what to do in case of earthquake. "Remember that earthquake is not like the typhoon that authorities can forecast when it strikes. So don't ever take this activity for granted instead, teach even your family about the drill", Sayas added.



409th pers participate in the conduct of NSED



CDR MARICHU SAYAS briefs the AFPPS IG Team during the Pre-AGI

On 29 October 2020, the office of the Inspector General of the AFPPS and its team headed by COL EUGENIO E GARCIA PA, inspected the 409th CO to determine the office efficiency, effectiveness, discipline, accomplishment and compliance to higher Headquarters policies and guidance. The activity started in a short briefing delivered by CDR SAYAS on the mission and function of the unit, accomplishments, readiness condition, APPMIS monitoring status and the unit's best practices that are being done. The activity ended in an exit briefing by Col Garcia who presented their findings on the unit both positive and negative.

On the other hand, the personnel of 409th CO joined the Virtual Fun Run dubbed as "Mentor's Run 2020" conducted by the Air Force Education Training and Doctrine Command in the celebration of its 68th founding anniversary. CDR SAYAS encouraged her personnel to join since this is one way of complying with the guidance of the commander of AFPPS which is to maintain physically and mentally healthy body.

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PABAC 1 ACQUIRES NEW VIDEO CAM

From PA BAC Secretariat

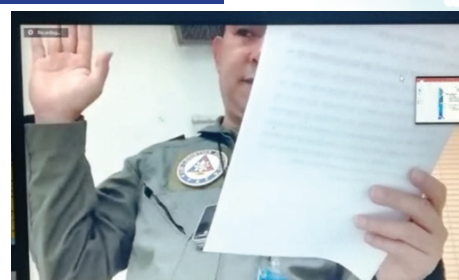
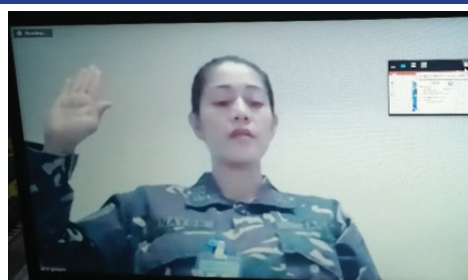


New video conferencing camera of PABAC

FORT BONIFACIO, TAGUIG CITY – The Philippine Army Bids and Awards Committee 1 acquired a new set of video conferencing camera thru the efforts of its chairman, BGEN DANILO O. CARIÑO PA. The gadget is very much useful because most of the activities now-a-days are done thru video conferencing due to the ongoing pandemic. BGEN CARIÑO requested the said Information Technology equipment from the office of the ACS for Logistics, OG4, PA which was delivered on 09 November 2020. MAJ DANIEL R. DUMALAG PA, the PABAC 1 Secretariat said that the acquisition of the aforesaid equipment will surely improve the quality the audio sounds and video of their gadget during Video Teleconferencing activities of the office.

CHALLENGES AMIDST COVID-19

From PAF BAC Secretariat



Oath Taking of new members of PAFBAC, COL GEROL N. GAGAN PAF as Vice Chairperson and LTC KATHERINE S. GUNAYON JAGS as regular member

VILLAMOR AIR BASE, PASAY CITY - Despite the crisis, the Philippine Air Force (PAF) Bids and Awards Committee (BAC) Members chaired by BGEN STEPHEN P. PARREÑO PAF, continues its roles as facilitator in the various procurement of projects of the PAF. As protocol set by the Department of Health, one should maintain physical distance of at least 1.5 meters from each other in order to reduce the contact and sprinkling of droplets from a person directly or indirectly. The practice of good hygiene and engage in routine cleaning and disinfection of surfaces will also help in the spread of the virus. In compliance with the COVID-19 protocol, PAFBAC Secretariat installed a transparent, physical impermeable barrier at the conference room to ensure that attendees of the conference are secured. Disinfectants such as alcohol and hand sanitizers are also ready available at the entrance of the PAFBAC premises and at the comfort room.

Meanwhile, PAFBAC got new members in the persons of COL GEROL N. GAGAN PAF, as the new Vice-Chairperson and LTC KATHREEN S. GUNAYON JAGS as new regular member. The two took their oath of office before the chairman on 01 August 2020. However, due to rotation policy, Lt Colonel Gunayon was replaced by LTC EFREN S. CUDAL JAGS, on 01 October 2020. Moreover, in the service of Filipino people, PAFBAC staff continues to be resilient by adopting the new work platforms so as not to jeopardize the procurement activities and deliver the required services to the end users.

PN BAC HURDLES CHALLENGES OF COVID-19

From PN BAC Secretariat

2020 is a challenging year for the Philippine Navy (PN) as it marks its vision as Strong and Credible. To fulfill its vision, the PN gave emphasis in its procurement process through the PN Bids and Awards Committee (PNBAC) making it sure that all procurement transactions are aligned with the revised Implementing Rules and Regulations of RA9184.

Despite the threats of Covid-19, PNBAC continuously conducts its mandate that is to process all the PN logistical requirements through procurement process. While doing its mandate, the Committee ensures all participants the proper safety protocols

in all stages of bidding process. During pre-procurement and pre-bid conference, PNBAC uses Video Teleconferencing Technology to minimize the face-to-face meet-ups with the members of technical working group, end-user, BAC Secretariat and the prospective proponents. During the submission and opening of bid envelopes, the Committee ensures proper social distancing inside the venue, requiring all participants to wear face mask, face shield, undergo temperature check and sanitize their hands before entering the venue at all times. They are also required to logged-in their complete details including their temperature for contact tracing purposes.

On the other hand, PNBAC has successfully conducted its bidding activity and recorded 191 procurement transactions with an aggregate value of PhP3,823,341,163.00 with a total bid tendered of PhP3,537,348,095.00 and generated a total residual of PhP285,993,067.00 in favor of the government. According to the Flag-Officer-In Command, the PN will soon request from the DBM the residuals to be used in funding the emergency repair of the ships, air crafts and additional combat equipment, other operational requirements of the PN units and some will be allocated in the procurement of supplies to fight Covid-19 as the Sailors and Marines are also deployed as Front-liners.

GHQ BAC 1 CONDUCTS SOBE

From GHQ BAC 1 Secretariat

CAMP AGUINALDO, QUEZON CITY -

Despite the ongoing pandemic, the GHQ Bids and Awards Committee 1 chaired by MGEN SAMUEL G GOTICO PAF, facilitated the opening of bids for the procurement of various medical supply requirements of AFP Health Service Command on 01 October 2020 with an approved budget for the contract of Php 81,250,234.00. The activity was held at Daza Park pavilion Camp General Emilio Aguinaldo, Quezon City. It was attended by 19 proponents who responded to the posted invitation to bid at the Philgeps website. During the said activity, strict adherence on the ongoing bio-safety and health protocol were observed such as wearing of facemasks and face shields with social distancing. Among the nineteen proponents, one was declared failed because of non-compliant on the submitted technical documents.



At GHQ BAC1, prayer comes first before any activity



Opening and inspection of Bid Documents

GHQ BAC 4 WELCOMES ITS NEW CHAIRMAN

From GHQ BAC 4 Secretariat



MGEN DIAZ PAF, new Chairman of GHQ BAC 4

CAMP AGUINALDO, QUEZON CITY -

The GHQ Bids and Awards Committee 4 welcomes its new chairperson in a simple ceremony on 24 August 2020. MGEN RENE S DIAZ PAF, took his oath of office as the new GHQ BAC 4 chairman replacing MGEN ADRIAN D SANCHEZ JR PA, who retired from the military service upon reaching the mandatory retirement age of 56 on 25 August 2020. The oath taking was administered by LTC GERALD B CABRERA, Judge Advocate General Service at the AFPPS multi-purpose hall.

Prior to his assumption as the new chairman of GHQ BAC 4, MGEN DIAZ served as Deputy Commander and Commander of several units in the Philippine Air Force. Currently he is the Deputy Chief of Staff for Education and Training, OJ8.

GHQ BAC2 HAS NEW VICE CHAIRMAN

From GHQ BAC 2 Secretariat

CAMP AGUINALDO, QUEZON CITY -

The members of General Headquarters Bids and Awards Committee 2 (GHQ BAC 2) headed by BGEN LUIS VINCENT A TACDERAS PA, awarded plaque of recognition to COL FERDINAND TORRES PAF, for his exemplary and valuable services rendered as GHQ BAC 2 Vice Chairman from 15 January 2016 to 12 November 2020 in a simple ceremony held at Daza Park Pavilion, CGEA, Quezon City on 30 October 2020. The latter was replaced by COL LUISITO F ANGELES JR PAF. The oath taking ceremony was held at Honestas Building, Camp General Emilio Aguinaldo, Quezon City on 30 October 2020 which was presided by BGEN TACDERAS.



COL TORRES PAF receives plaque, retires @ 56

POST QUALIFICATION INSPECTION THRU VTC

From GHQ BAC 3 Secretariat

CAMP AGUINALDO, QUEZON CITY - GHQ BAC 3 chaired by RAD ROBERTO B ENRIQUEZ PN, conducted a post qualification inspection through Video Teleconferencing (VTC) due to travel restrictions imposed by government authorities due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The post qualification to Dicon Builders Corporation was done on 13 October 2020 via VTC thru Zoom application. The post qualification team of GHQ BAC 3 headed by MAJ JEFFERIZ BRYAN A CAMINIA Judge Advocate General Service, with the assistance of the chief of 104th Contracting Office CPT MOISES L PECAYO PA, who was physically present at the location of Dicon Builders Corporation at Zone 2, Panul-iran, Abuno, Iligan City, validated the eligibility, technical, financial proposal and post-qualification documentary requirements submitted by the said winning bidder.



GHQ BAC3 conducts post qual inspection thru via Zoom

Welcome Home

OF THE PROCUREMENT SERVICE

Newly Assigned Personnel

By MAJ GEOFFREY G BRAGANZA (INF) PA



LCDR NUMER D CABALLERO
O-134846 PN

Former Unit: PHILFLT
Current Unit: AU, HSU
Province: Pangasinan
Source of Commission: NOQC "B"



MAJ EURES MELODY B MONTEJO
O-14261 PAF

Former Unit: AFPCOC
Current Unit: Ex-O, PNPC
Province: NCR
Source of Commission: PMA



MAJ JOHN DARWIN G VALLEJERA
O-138800 (CE) PA

Former Unit: TRADOC, PA
Current Unit: GHQ BAC4 Sec
Province: Zamboanga Del Sur
Source of Commission: OCS



CPT JESSIE S LOPEZ
O-134002 (QMS) PA

Former Unit: 6ID, PA
Current Unit: Asst Chief, 406 CO
Province: Ilocos Sur
Source of Commission: OCS



MAJ MARVIN P CASPILLO
O-14042 (INF) PA

Former Unit: OTIA, AFP
Current Unit: Chief, 110th CO
Province: Cebu
Source of Commission: PMA



CPT CATHERINE H ABALOS
O-141326 PAF

Former Unit: HSSG, PAF
Current Unit: HSU
Province: Rizal
Source of Commission: POTC



SSg Rhonilee M Lusad
832376 (FS) PA

Former Unit: TRADOC, PA
Current Unit: 114th CO
Province: Tarlac



S1YN Rachel Ann Bernadette D Orejola
879503 PN

Former Unit: HNIC, NIC
Current Unit: 302nd CO
Province: Cavite



PO1 Eufemia L Sampiano
833933 PN

Former Unit: PHILFLT
Current Unit: PNPC
Province: NCR



PFC Raffy M Catacutan
936365 (Inf) PA

Former Unit: HHSG, PA
Current U: nit: HSU
Province: Misamis Oriental



SSg Catherine A Agquiz
842848 PAF

Former Unit: 1306th, PAFDD
Current Unit: A/U HSU
Province: Pampanga



Ma Kristine Q Pangan Civ HR

Former Unit: CEISAFP
Current Unit: OPS4
Province: Nueva Ecija

Christmas Celebration 2020



HEADQUARTERS

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Camp General Emilio Aguinaldo, Quezon City

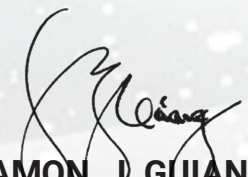
The year 2020 has been a challenging year, as the calamities like the **Taal volcano eruption, Covid-19 pandemic** and **typhoons Rolly and Ulysses** hit the country. But as Filipinos, our ability to overcome tough times through our different skills of survival and our strong faith in God has helped us overcome those challenges. We Filipinos are born resilient and as we face these challenges we grow stronger and more adaptive to our environment.

This year similarly is also full of blessings to our Command. The **Gold Governance Trailblazer Award** is just one that our unit has received this year. The said accolade is the fruit of the collective efforts of all personnel. However, the aforementioned honor should not be a license for us to be complacent, for there are still lot of things to be done. I therefore enjoin each and every one of us not to rest on our laurels but continue to deliver what is expected of us. We must continue to sustain the momentum in pursuit of excellence in achieving breakthrough performance. Let it be a habit of everyone, to always strive until our **"good"** becomes **"better"** and our better becomes **"best"**. It is our resilience, positivity, expertise, creativity and initiative that made this Command to where it is now, let us press on to continually improve in the way we satisfied the needs of our clients. Let us always bring to mind and put in our hearts that our **efficient service** is the reason of our existence.

As we celebrate again this season of love and giving, may we think and pray also for those less fortunate individuals like the victims of the pandemic and calamities. God has blessed us to bless others, and let us always recollect that the true meaning of Christmas is **giving**, just like the greatest gift ever given to humanity by the **Lord** our creator, His only son Jesus Christ, that whosoever believes in Him will have an eternal life.

On behalf of my family, I wish everyone a **"Safe and Healthy Merry Christmas and a Covid 19-free New Year"**. Have a great and well-deserved holiday season with your family and loved ones. **To God be all the Glory!**

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*Jesus... The great story;
The most amazing gift; and
The blessed hope of all who believe.*
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RAMON J GUIANG
Brigadier General, PAF
Commander

THEME: AFPPS Embracing Christmas with Hope and Courage