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NATIONAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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NDRRMC UPDATE

Tsunami Bulletin No. 1

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I. SITUATION OVERVIEW:

TSUNAMI ALERT LEVEL 1 Stand-by for Possible Evacuation

A strong distant earthquake occurred near East Coast of **HONSHU**, **JAPAN** at **01:46 PM** (Philippine Time), located at 38.0[°]N, 142.9[°]E with depth of 10 km and a preliminary magnitude of 7.9.

An earthquake of this size has the **potential to generate a destructive tsunami** that can strike coastlines in the region near the epicenter within minutes to hours. The pacific Tsunami Warning Center in Hawaii will monitor sea level gauges nearest the region and report if any tsunami wave activity is observed.

PHIVOLCS TSUNAMI ALERT LEVEL is 1. NO EVACUATION ORDER IS IN EFFECT but communities along the east coast of the country (listed below) are advised to wait for further information and to prepare for possible evacuation.

Coastal areas fronting the Pacific Ocean of the following provinces should keep watch:

- Batanes Group of Islands
- Cagayan
- Ilocos Norte
- Isabela
- Quezon
- Aurora
- Camarines Norte
- Camarines Sur
- Albay
- Catanduanes

- Sorsogon
- Northern Samar
- Eastern Samar
- Leyte
- Southern Leyte
- Surigao del Norte
- Surigao del Sur
- Davao Oriental
- Davao del Sur

II. ACTIONS TAKEN:

 NDRRMC Advisory on Tsunami Bulletin No. 1 were disseminated to concerned OCD Regions through SMS, facsimile and website for further dissemination to their respective local DRRMCs from the provincial down to the municipal levels