



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
NATIONAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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

NDRRMC UPDATE

Shooting Incident in Sibago Island, Mohammad Ajul, Basilan

Releasing Officer


USEC BENITO T. RAMOS
Executive Director, NDRRMC and
Administrator, OCD

DATE : 26 January 2012

Sources: PNP PRO-ARMM and PPO Basilan, OCDRC-IX as of 10:00 PM

SITUATION OVERVIEW

- At about 7:00 AM of January 23, 2012. A shooting incident transpired at the high seas of Sibago Island, Mohammad Ajul, Basilan wherein three (3) fishing boats known locally as 'Palakaya" were fired upon by unidentified armed men aboard three (3) "Pakura" or small watercrafts.
- As a result, fifteen (15) died and three (3) more were wounded. Survivors of the shooting incident were rescued by local fishermen in the area.
- The bodies of the recovered slain fishermen were identified as:
 1. Leon Tamparung
 2. Ronald Buhian
 3. Kennette (Last name unknown)
 4. Sadam "Dodong" Lunsud
- The following are still missing as of this reporting:
 1. Ricky C. Miguela (owner of one of the fishing boat)
 2. Arcenio B. Cabarles
 3. Marcelo B. Cabarles
 4. Vanie Francisco
 5. Vincio Matugas
 6. Loreto Calderon
- According to Basilan Provincial Police Office, some of the victims are still unidentified and unaccounted since the owners of the other fishing boats are still being contacted.
- Most of the victims are from Pagadian City and San Pablo Municipality in Zamboanga del Sur

ACTIONS TAKEN

- Elements of the Basilan Provincial Public Safety Company (PPSC) and Mohammad Ajul Municipal Police Station conducted manhunt operations in the area. Recovery Operations were also launched to look for missing persons.
- Progress report will follow