

NATIONAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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

NDRRMC UPDATE

Incident Report - Ambush Incident at Sumisip, Basilan

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Sources: OCDRC BASULTA

SITUATION OVERVIEW:

- Around 10:00 AM CAFGUS and Special Forces units were conducting road security along the circumferential road of Sumisip, for the safe travel of two (2) parish priests to Tumahubong, Sumisip, Basilan, when an unidentified armed group ambushed the mentioned group of priests and paramilitary/military units.
- The ARMM voters' registration is ongoing while the incident occurred.
- The military present on the area is currently conducting an operation to locate the perpetrators.

REMARKS:

- Number of casualties from both sides are yet to be determined.
- Status of the parish priests are yet to be reported.
- No IDPs reported.
- Military units on the area are currently on heightened alert.
- Developments to follow.