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NATIONAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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

NDRRMC UPDATE

Incidents Monitored Covering the Period of **280800H-290600H** September 2012

Releasing Officer:


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Administrator, OCD

DATE : 29 September 2012, 6:00 AM

Sources: OCD-XII, OCD-VI, OCD-IX, OCD-NCR

1. Information Report on alleged Missing Sea Craft with 300 passengers on board

Situation Overview

- On 27 September 2012, an anonymous text message containing an alleged report of a sea craft bound for Sabah Malaysia with 300 passengers on board which allegedly sunk down or did not reach its destination, circulated within the area of Sulu Province. The provincial DRRM Officer of Sulu was among those who received the said text message and forwarded the same to OCD BASULTA.
- The SMS is in full Tausug dialect that says "there was a ferry boat (Lancha) bound to Sabah Malayasia with 300 passengers on board was reported to have recessed somewhere in Bongao coast in Tawi-Tawi.

Actions Taken:

- Operations Section Chief** coordinated and verified the alleged maritime incident to **PCG District South Western Mindanao Coast Guard** personnel on duty SN2 Montero, he denied the claim about the said incident and that the unit has not received any report of the sea mishap or sinking vessels within BaSuLTa area since Monday, 24 September 2012.
- Laiason Officer of Tawi-Tawi**, Mr. Jun Dail verified the same text messages at the Coast Guard Station in Tawi-Tawi. **PCG Tawi-Tawi** added that the unit does not have an official report on the matter since the incident was not true.
- OCD BaSuLTa** disseminated text messages asserting the falsehood of the maritime incident circulating in the AOR in partnership with **PIA ZamBasulta's** text blast program.

2. Final Report re Fire Incident in Caloocan City

Situation Overview

- On or about 8:09 PM 27 September 2012, a fire incident which involved an Industrial Compound (Adobe Bricks Warehouse) occurred in 8th St., 8th Avenue Grace Park, Caloocan City. As of 12:35 AM, 28 September 2012 the fire was under control and at around 9:50 AM fire out was declared.
- No casualties and affected families were reported.
- The cause of the incident is still under investigation and estimated damages is yet to be determined.

Actions Taken:

- Responding agencies were Caloocan Fire District and Fire Volunteers. Initial report was given by BFP-NCR.
- OCD-NCR is closely monitoring the situation and coordinated with BFP-Caloocan but no information was given yet.
- **BFP-Caloocan Investigators** is still conducting a follow-up investigation.

3. Initial Report re Fire Incident in V. Sotto cor. Mc Arthur St., Brgy. Tinago Pier 3, Cebu City

Situation Overview

- On or about 6:30 PM, 28 September 2012, a fire incident happened involving a government building in V. Sotto, corner Mc. Arthur St., Brgy. Tinago Pier 3, Cebu City.
- The cause of the incident is still under investigation and estimated damages, casualties and affected population are still to be determined.

Actions Taken:

- Responding agencies were **BFP Cebu City, Mandaue City, Lapu-Lapu City, Talisay City, PRC Cebu Chapter, Filipino-Chinese Fire Volunteers and Emergency Response Unit Foundation.**
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