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The National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC) through the Office of Civil Defense shall conduct the **National Summit on DRRM for Local Chief Executives** (LCEs) on **Wednesday, 20 March 2013** 9:00AM at the Philippine International Convention Center (PICC).

This Summit shall be graced by His Excellency President Benigno S Aquino III. Also present in the event are NDRRMC Chair and National Defense Secretary Voltaire T Gazmin, NDRRMC Vice Chair and DILG Secretary Mar Roxas II, DBM Secretary Florencio Abad and NDRRMC Executive Director and Civil Defense Administrator Usec Eduardo D Del Rosario. Around 1,800 LCEs are expected to participate.

This Summit is in compliance to one of the seven directives issued by the President after Typhoon "Pablo", calling for a conference where LCEs would discuss DRRM actions and tools as well as specify their respective roles and responsibilities for the efficient and effective delivery of government DRRM services. It is also the Summit's objective to define mechanisms to achieve transparency and accountability of DRRM resources.

The Media are cordially invited to attend and cover the event.