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NDRRMC UPDATE

Incident Monitored Covering the Period
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Sources: OCDRO-NCR, OCDRO-III, OCDRO-IVA

1. Final Report re Iglesia Ni Cristo (INC) protest rally against the Department of Justice (DOJ) interference in INC affairs

A. Situation Overview

- Day 1 (Thursday, August 27, 2015): INC members assembled on the DOJ compound in Manila
- Day 2 (Friday, August 28, 2015): an estimated 3,000 members joined the protest
- Day 3 (Saturday, August 29, 2015): after the gathering in Manila the group set-off and gathered around 4:00 PM in front of SM Megamall and Shaw Boulevard along EDSA (Crossing-Ibabaw).
- Day 4 (Sunday, August 30, 2015): the group continued with their protest on the site and more INC members are expected to arrive and join the protest. As of 10:00 PM, 30 August 2015, a crowd of approximately 15,000 individuals are positioned in three locations of Mandaluyong: EDSA Ortigas Shrine Area, EDSA-Shaw Boulevard and in front of SM Megamall.
- **Day 5 (Monday, August 31, 2015):**
 - **9:00 AM, the groups located in EDSA Ortigas Shrine and EDSA-Shaw Boulevard started to disperse and headed to Manila City;**
 - **11:00 AM, INC evangelist announced that INC is ending the Protest Rally throughout the country effective this morning;**
 - **1:00 PM, EDSA-Shaw Boulevard to SM Megamall and Manila City are clear of protesters**

B. Deployment:

- Mandaluyong DRRMO: deployed **nine (9)** ambulances; and one (1) firetruck;
- MMDA: deployed **four (4)** ambulances; **one (1) rescue truck; and one (1) rescue team**
- DOH: deployed two (2) ambulances from Rizal Medical Center and San Lorenzo Ruiz Women's Hospital;
- PNP: deployed one (1) ambulance
- JTF NCR: 525th ECB, PA, AFP on stand by and on alert for any eventuality;

- Pasig DRRMO: Pasig C3 closely monitoring and on standby.
- **Manila City LGU: pre-positioned six (6) ambulances**
- **MPD: personnel deployed to secure areas of convergence**
- **All assets deployed were demobilized at 12:00 PM, 31 August 2015**

C. Actions Taken

- Manila City Government issued permit for INC to converge on 31 August 2015 at Padre Faura (DOJ area), UN and Taft Avenues.
- Manila DRRMO, Public Order and Safety, Manila Police District, Health Department, Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP) and City Social Welfare were on alert status during the event.
- Ospital ng Maynila and Ospital ng Sta Ana were instructed to receive patients while the following hospitals were requested to prepare for possible patients:
 - Gat Andres Bonifacio Memorial Medical Center
 - Justice Jose Abad Santos General Hospital
 - Tondo General Hospital and Medical Center
- OCD-NCR was placed on Blue Alert Status on 10 AM, 30 August 2015. Task Force duties were activated.
- OCD-NCR coordinated with Mandaluyong, QC DRRMO and EPD re-on alert Status;
- OCD-NCR coordinated with DOH NCRO, ambulances were deployed and co-located with Eastern Police District's Advance Command Post near EDSA Shangrila;
- MMDA closely monitored the traffic conditions and situation around the area;
- OCD-NCR alerted the Manila DRRMO for possible return of the protesters to DOJ compound;
- Makati DRRMO closely monitored the situation in EDSA Guadalupe Nuevo;
- Quezon City DRRMO closely monitored the situation and coordinated with its traffic management; deployment of response teams from the entry points of Quezon City from Mandaluyong
- **Local BFP personnel undertook the clean up of areas of convergence**
- OCD-NCR continuously monitored the event.

2. Flashflood incident in San Jose, Tarlac

A. Situation Overview

- On or about 3:30 PM, 30 August 2015, fifty-five (55) mountaineers from University of the Philippines-Manila and Tarlac Gamenest MC went to Sitio San Pedro, Brgy Iba, San Jose, Tarlac to conduct outreach mission. However, on their way back and while crossing the Nagsasa Creek with waters from Pangasaam Dam, eleven (11) mountaineers were swept away by the strong current.
- Five (5) bodies were recovered whose identities are still being verified

B. Actions Taken

- UP-Manila mountaineers immediately responded to the incident
- PDRMO Tarlac dispatched one (1) DART to the area in coordination with Sustainable Tourism Department Project (STDP)
- OCDRO-3 coordinated with local officials and with DRRMO San Jose, Tarlac for confirmation of the incident

- OCDRO-3 also coordinated with 3rd Mechanized Company of PNP-San Jose and with PPO-Tarlac for augmentation of search and rescue (SAR) operations

3. Flashflood incident in Floridablanca, Pampanga

A. Situation Overview

- On or about 4:10 PM, 30 August 2015, a group from Porac, Pampanga were having a picnic/swimming under the SCTEX Bridge in Palakol River, Floridablanca, Pampanga when a strong current of water suddenly occurred and swept away three (3) people.

B. Actions Taken

- PDRRMO coordinated with Floridablanca DRRM Officer who dispatched one (1) rescue team for SAR operations
- OCDRO-3 coordinated with Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority (SBMA) for possible augmentation of SAR team

4. Belated report on fire incident in Taal, Batangas

A. Situation Overview

- On or about 2:18 AM, 30 August 2015, Taal Municipal Fire Station received a fire incident report involving a commercial area in Brgy. Bihis Tawilisan, Taal, Batangas.
- Taal MFS raise the alarm to second alarm and fire out was declared at 4:45 AM, 30 August 2015
- The estimated cost of damage is approximately Php3.5M
- The involved establishments were made of light materials and totally gutted by fire:

1) P.K.N. Enterprises	6) Donald Meat Shop
2) Ithan Live Tilapia	7) Emeterio Rodriguez Meat Shop
3) Home Treasure Marketing	8) Anselma Hernandez Residence
4) Lourdes Store	9) Dra Teresita Magpantay-Bathan Res.
5) Raiylens Bakery	10) Salvacion Rodriguez Residence
- Five (5) cadavers who are burned beyond recognition were retrieved while one (1) person is reportedly missing

B. Actions Taken

- MFS Taal, Lemery and San Nicolas dispatched their fire trucks
- BFP IV-A coordinated with nearby fire stations for augmentation
- Batangas Provincial Crime Laboratory Office and BFP-Taal Arson Investigation Team conducted technical investigation on the incident
- OCDRO-IVA closely coordinating with BFP IV-A and PRO IV-A for updates and development of the incident