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NDRRMC UPDATE

Final Report re Emergency Preparedness and Response for the Philippine Hosting of the 65th Miss Universe Pageant (14-30 January 2017)

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I. OVERVIEW

The Miss Universe Beauty Pageant is an annual event run by the Miss Universe Organization. It is a contest among women from various countries and held in more than 190 countries worldwide. The coronation night of the pageant, crowns not just the most beautiful woman on earth but also who can hurdle the question and answer portion thus, bestowing on her the title coupled with the responsibility to perform charity works.

For 2017, the Philippines hosted the 65th Miss Universe Beauty Pageant. In this regard, the Office of the President issued Memorandum Circular No.13 dated 28 December 2016 enjoining all department, agencies, bureau, and offices of the government to support the hosting of the Miss Universe Beauty Pageant.

The said pageant has been conducted and hosted by the Philippines for the third time from 14-30 January 2017. A total of 86 candidates from all over the world came to the Philippines together with their families and support crew. Alongside with the main pageant, ancillary events which has no effect on the contestants' total pageant score were held. The candidates participated in fashion shows in Davao City, Cebu City, and Vigan City. Tours in some attractions in the country were also held from 15 January until its conclusion on 30 January 2017, in which reigning Ms. Universe Ms. Pia Wurtzbach of the Philippines crowned her successor Ms. Iris Mittenaere of France at the SM Mall of Asia Arena in Pasay City.

An after party was held in Okada Manila in which Miss Congeniality and Miss Photogenic awards were endowed.

II. EFFECTS

A. MEDICAL CONSULTATIONS

A total of **53 consultations** were reported by all deployed emergency response teams from DOH retained hospitals. Seven (7) or 13.2% of the cases were Ms. Universe Pageant candidates, thirteen (13) or 24.5% were

Ms. Universe personnel, and thirty-three (33) or 62.3% were non-Ms. Universe related. The top three consulted cases were dizziness/exhaustion, soft tissue injury, and hypertension.

III. PREPAREDNESS MEASURES

B. NATIONAL / NDRRMC

- a. Issued Memorandum No. 17, s. 2017 re Activation of the Response Clusters for the preparation and response operations in relation to the 65th Miss Universe Pageant.
- b. Issued Memorandum No. 18, s. 2017 re Designation as Members of the National Incident Management Team during the 65th Ms. Universe Pageant.
- c. Issued Memorandum No. 39, s. 2017 re Activation of the National Incident Management Team (NIMT) and National Response Cluster (NRC) ICOW 65th Miss Universe Pageant.
- d. Issued Memorandum No. 19, s. 2017 re Alert Status of National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Operations Center (NDRRMOC) Raised to Blue Alert effective 29 January 2017 to monitor and coordinate all efforts relative to the Miss Universe Pageant.

1. NDRRM Operations Center (NDRRMOC)

- a. The NDRRMOC raised its alert status to Blue on 29 January 2017, 8:00 AM to monitor and coordinate all efforts to ensure safety and security of the participants and the success of the event.
- b. Furnished OCD CAR with the memorandum issued by Department of Tourism recommending for the creation of a dedicated Committee on Security, Peace and Order and Emergency Preparedness and Response to oversee the overall security preparations of the Miss Universe pageant.
- c. Issued Memorandum No. 26, s. 2017 re Emergency Preparedness and Response for the Philippine Hosting of the 65th Miss Universe Pageant.

2. NDRRMC Response Cluster

- a. Activated on 29 January 2017, 2:00 PM at the Response Cluster Emergency Operations Center in Orchid Garden Suites Hotel, Malate, Manila.
- b. Convened cluster members together with the National Incident Management Team (NIMT) for a briefing on its respective emergency response preparedness and actions on 29 and 30 January 2017 at the Response Cluster Emergency OpCen.
- c. Conducted ocular inspection of the NIMT and Response Cluster Team at the staging areas of MMDRRMC and venues of the pageant.

Emergency Telecommunication

- **OCD** activated the Emergency Telecommunications Cluster effective 29 January 2017, 2:00 PM and established Satellite Phone System at the NDRRMOC and at the Response Cluster OpCen in Orchid Garden Hotel.
- **ERIC** deployed personnel systems to aid integration of reports, actions, and resolution at the Response Cluster OpCen in Orchid Garden Hotel.
- **REACT** activated the RETT at the Response Cluster OpCen in Orchid Garden Hotel.

Health Cluster

- **DOH** alerted all hospitals in Metro Manila and placed into Code White. HEMB OpCen monitored and coordinated with the deployed medical teams and the HEMB representatives at the Multi-agency Coordination Center (MACC).
- Deployed a total 23 Emergency Response Teams (ERTs) from DOH Metro Manila hospitals to areas in MOA Complex, Pasay City to attend to medical needs/emergencies.
- Deployed a total of 25 Emergency Response Teams (ERTS) from respective Local Government Units (LGUs).

Logistics

- **OCD** coordinated with DPWH for possible deployment of heavy equipment.
- **DPWH** placed heavy equipment on standby.

Search, Rescue and Retrieval

- **PA** prepositioned 3 SAR Teams, 1 Multi-role response vessel, 1 M-35, and 1 KM-450 trucks.
- **PAF** – Prepositioned 2 SAR Teams, 2 S-76 Air Ambush Heli, and 1 UH-1H Heli as back-up aircraft.
- **PN** prepositioned 2 SAR Teams

3. Department of Health (DOH-HEMB)

- a. Raised Code White alert on 12 January 2017.
- b. Issued Memorandum on Mobilization of DOH ERTs for the Miss Universe Pageant to Regions I, CALABARZON, VI, XI, CAR, and Metro Manila.
- c. Deployed 71 ERTs and medical teams from Rizal Medical Center, Las Piñas General Hospital, Satellite Trauma Center, Dr. Jose Fabella Memorial Hospital, Philippine Orthopedic Center, San Lorenzo Ruiz Hospital, Quirino Memorial Hospital, Tondo Medical Center, San Lorenzo Ruiz Women's Hospital, Batangas Medical Center, Dr. Jose N. Rodriguez Memorial Hospital, Valenzuela Medical Center, and National Childrens Hospital to provide medical assistance to the Ms. Universe candidates and organizers during the pre-pageant activities from 12-29 January 2017.
- d. Placed 12 ERTs composed of 2 doctors, 3 nurses, and an ambulance driver per team on standby for deployment at airport terminals, hotels, and venues in Metro Manila.
- e. Deployed 3 personnel from the DOH Central Office alternately at SM Mall of Asia to participate in the Multi-agency Coordination Center (MACC) response activities since 12 January to 02 February 2017.
- f. Two (2) personnel from HEMB participated in the dry-run of Ms. Universe at SM Mall of Asia Arena on 24 January 2017.
- g. Attended the coordination meeting and the Commander's Update and Critiquing at the MACC.
- h. Attended the coordination meeting with the Department of Tourism for the arrangement of the teams to be deployed in the billeting hotels.
- i. Monitored and coordinated with the medical teams deployed in NCR and HEMB personnel deployed at the Multi-Agency Coordinating Center (MACC) at SM Mall of Asia.
- j. Coordinated with DOH Regional Offices re actions taken in support to the visit of Ms. Universe candidates for the pre-pageant activities.

- k. Four (4) personnel from HEMB and three (3) personnel from NCRO provided technical assistance and led the coordination activities at MACC and EPR.

4. Philippine Coast Guard (PCG)

- a. Prepositioned a total of 18 watercrafts with 100 personnel, and deployed additional 326 personnel from Philippine Navy (PN) and PNP-Maritime Group and different units of the PCG for reinforcement and on standby to provide maritime security in the area of Metro Manila and at the Mall of Asia Arena in Pasay City.
- b. Positioned 12 watercraft units at the vicinity of the venue of the pageant, nearby areas, and to the hotels served as temporary residence of the candidates and organizers to conduct sustained, integrated, and intensified Maritime Security operations during Miss Universe Pageant 2017.

C. REGIONAL / RDRRMC

1. RDRRMC I

DOH RO I

- a. Activated and raised its alert status to BLUE on 17 January 2017.
- b. Coordinated with the RDRRMC on 17 January 2017.
- c. Coordinated with DOH retained hospital in Ilocos Norte regarding the Contingency Plan for any emergency on 17 January 2017.
- d. Prepared Public Health Teams for deployment on 17 January 2017.
- e. Monitored and coordinated with the teams on site for any untoward incident on 17 January 2017.
- f. Coordinated with DILG, DOT, and MDRRMO for the multi-agency response activities.

AFP TOG 1

Ensured the availability of 2 K9 to aid in securing the venue premises.

2. RDRRMC CALABARZON

DOH CALABARZON

Deployed one ERT from Batangas Medical Center (BMC) as support to the tour of the candidates in Pico de Loro, Nasugbu, Batangas.

3. RDRRMC VI

DOH VI

- a. Activated code alert.
- b. Coordinated with the Regional Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (RDRRMC), DILG, DOT, and MDRRMO for the multi-agency response activities.
- c. Monitored and coordinated with the teams on site for any untoward incident.

4. RDRRMC VII

DOH VII

- a. Activated code alert.
- b. Coordinated with RDRRMC, DILG, DOT, and MDRRMO for the multi-agency response activities.
- c. Monitored and coordinated with the teams on site for any untoward incident.

5. RDRRMC CAR

OCD CAR

- a. Activated the Operations Center to BLUE Alert status on 17-19 January 2017 to intensify the coordination and monitoring of the event.
- b. Conducted a PDRA Meeting on 16 January 2017, 1:00 PM to finalize emergency preparedness and contingency plans of Cordillera RDRRMC Members in support to the emergency plan of the Baguio City Police Office (BCPO).

BFP CAR

- a. Deployed 64 personnel, 7 fire trucks, and 3 ambulances in Trinidad and Baguio.
- b. Reserved 71 personnel and 4 fire trucks in case it is needed during the event.

DOH CAR

- a. Activated code alert
- b. Coordinated with the RDRRMC, DILG, DOT, and MDRRMO for the multi-agency response activities.
- c. Monitored and coordinated with the teams on site for any untoward incident.

6. RDRRMC NCR

OCD NCR

- a. Activated the Site Task Group Emergency Preparedness and Response Manila (STGEPR Manila) to manage the consequences of natural and human-induced threats which may happen.
- b. Deployed 1 ambulance with crew from Manila DRRMO on 16 January 2017 for the photo shoot at Fort Santiago, Manila.
- c. Deployed 3 ambulances with crew from Paranaque DRRMO, 505 SRG PAF, and MMDA; and one rescue van from Pasay DRRMO on 16 January 2017 for the Governor's Ball at the SMX Convention Center.
- d. Deployed 1 ambulance with crew from Makati DRRM to Shangri-La Makati on 20 January 2017.
- e. Deployed 1 ambulance with crew from Paranaque DRRMO, 1 rescue van with crew from Parañaque DRRMO, 1 ambulance with crew from 505 SRG PAF, 1 ACLS ambulance with crew from MMDA, and 1 KM45 Transport vehicle with SRR Team at OKADA Manila on 21 January 2017.
- f. Conducted site inspection and walk-thru at the Beach Club of Okada, venue of the Coronation Ball on 27 January 2017, 1:00 PM.
- g. Activated Staging Area 1 beside Microtel MOA Complex on 26 January 2017.

Site Task Group Emergency Preparedness and Response (STGEPR)

- a. Conducted dry run led by six (6) members of IMT, one (1) SRR Team from the 505 SRG PAF, and one (1) Medical Team from Pasay DRRMO.
- b. Air Operations Branch conducted probing flight/aerial survey on 19 January 2017 at the MOA Complex and billeting areas to prepare for air evacuation when necessary.
- c. Conducted the final coordination meeting and tactics meeting on 26 January 2017.

- d. Deployed medical, firefighting, search and rescue (SAR), and communication teams in the identified 3 staging areas to respond to any emergencies.
- e. Monitored the activities of the Miss Universe Pageant.

7. RDRRMC XI

OCD XI

Deployed nine (9) ERTs as support for the pre-pageant activities in Davao City.
