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NATIONAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT COUNCIL
National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Center, Camp Aguinaldo, Quezon City, Philippines

MEMORANDUM

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TO : ALL NDRRMC MEMBER AGENCIES
ALL RDRRMC CHAIRPERSONS

SUBJECT : CONDUCT OF THE CY2017 FIRST QUARTER
NATIONWIDE SIMULTANEOUS EARTQUAKE DRILL
(NSED)

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Rule 6, Section 7 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of the RA 10121 states that "Public awareness shall also be undertaken through the conduct of drills by the LDRRMO on a regular basis". Likewise, the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Plan (NDRRMP) states that one of the activities to achieve Outcome 10: "Developed and implemented comprehensive national and local preparedness and response policies, plans and systems" is to develop/enhance and simulate scenario – based preparedness and response plans. Furthermore, one of the policy framework stated in the National Disaster Preparedness Plan as embedded in the fourth priority area of the Sendai Framework for Action 2015 – 2030 included the target: "to promote regular disaster preparedness, response and recovery exercises".

In view hereof, the 2017 first quarter Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED) is scheduled on March 31, 2017. The pilot area for the first quarter NSED is the Cebu Provincial Capitol, Cebu City. The activity shall commence at 2:00 in the afternoon.


The objectives on the aforementioned activity are:

1. To test the efficiency and usefulness of the preparedness, response and recovery plans, systems and policies developed in their respective localities/offices;
2. To evaluate the effectiveness of contingency plan;
3. To test the coordination and communication mechanism during response operation
4. To understand the command and control mechanism in emergency and disaster operation at the DRRMCs

All OCD Regional Offices are directed to spearhead the conduct of earthquake drill in their areas of jurisdiction.

Proper documentation and the conduct of the Post Activity Evaluation is encouraged. Result of the analysis and documentation should be submitted to the Capacity Building and Training Service through electronic mail at cbts@ocd.gov.ph not later than April 28, 2017 for consolidation and submission to the Chairperson, NDRRMC.

By Authority of the Chairperson:



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