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## UPDATE # 2 ON TYPHOON YOLANDA

Los Angeles, 12 November 2013 – The Philippine Consulate General in Los Angeles wishes to advise the public of the following information on the Effects of Typhoon Yolanda from the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC), as of 12 November 2013, 10:00 PM in Manila:

1. 1,798 individuals were reported dead, 2,582 injured and 82 missing.
2. A total of 1,387,446 families or 6,937,229 persons were affected in 7,488 barangays in 41 provinces of Regions IV-A, IV-B, V, VI, VII, VIII, X, XI and CARAGA. Out of the total number affected, 127,733 families or 582,303 persons were displaced and served both inside and outside evacuation centers.  
This number may still increase as NDRRMC receives more reports and updates from affected municipalities given the current constraints in communications, particularly in Tacloban and Leyte.
3. The following items are some of the most urgent needs of victims:
  - Food (preferably ready-to-eat, cooked)
  - Water
  - Water purifiers
  - Water containers
  - Tents and other temporary shelters
  - Blankets, pillows, towels, etc.
  - Hygiene Kits
  - Cooking apparatus and utensils
  - Power generators
4. The Department of Foreign Affairs in Manila has established a Coordinating Unit for Typhoon Yolanda to coordinate and compile information about offers of aid and international assistance. The Unit is operational 24/7 providing information about queries on donations, medical missions, entry of relief goods, medicines and equipment. The following are the contact details of the said Unit headed by Assistant Secretary Jesus R.S. Domingo assisted by Principal Assistant Rachel Oronce:
  - During office hours, the Unit may be contacted at:
    - Telephone Numbers: (+632) 834-4933, (+632) 551-0445
    - Fax Number: (+632) 832-1597
  - During non-office hours, queries may be directed to the Department's Action Center through the following:
    - Telephone Numbers: (+632) 834-3333, (+632) 834-4997
    - Fax Number: (+632) 831-4411
    - Email: [action.center@dfa.gov.ph](mailto:action.center@dfa.gov.ph)
5. The following information is also provided in relation to entry of humanitarian workers, medical workers and search-and-rescue teams:

- The NDRRMC explained that as of this time, they do not have the resources nor the capability to assist, escort and guarantee the security of search-and-rescue and medical teams to the affected areas.
  - Search-and rescue teams are to coordinate to the NDRRMC-Office of Civil Defense (OCD) while medical teams are to coordinate with the Department of Health in Manila to get advice on where they can go.
  - The teams will be responsible for their travel from Manila to Cebu or Tacloban or to the area where they want to extend assistance, as the Philippine Government has no means to provide for these.
  - They will also be responsible for the safety of their team members, as well as for their provisions while in the field (food, clothing, shelter, communications, electric power, etc.)
6. Please be informed that **monetary donations are encouraged to facilitate bringing aid to those in need** and to avoid delay/complications that accompany sending imported donated goods. These monetary donations may be coursed through the following:

**A. National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC)**

Account Name : NDRRMC Donated Funds  
 Account Numbers: 0435-021927-030 (Peso Account);  
 0435-021927-530 (US Dollar Account);  
 Swift Code : DBPHPHMM Account #36002016  
 Address: Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP), Camp Aguinaldo  
 Branch, PVAO Compound, Camp Aguinaldo, Quezon City, Philippines 1110  
 Contact Person: Ms. Rufina A. Pascual  
 Contact Number: (+632) 421-1920;911-5061 to 65 local 116  
 Email : [accounting@ocd.gov.ph](mailto:accounting@ocd.gov.ph); website : [www.ndrrmc.gov.ph](http://www.ndrrmc.gov.ph)

**B. Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD)**

Account No.: 3124-0055-81  
 Bank Branch Address: Land Bank of the Philippines, Batasan, Quezon City, Philippines  
 Contact Person: Ms. Fe Catalina Ea, Cash Division  
 Contact No.: (+632)931-8101 local 226; CP(+63)918-628-1897  
 Website: [www.dswd.gov.ph](http://www.dswd.gov.ph)

**C. Philippine Red Cross (PRC)**

[www.redcross.org.ph](http://www.redcross.org.ph); Tel. (+632)527-0000  
**Banco De Oro:** (Peso) 00-453-0018647; (Dollar) 10-453-0039482;  
 Swift Code: BNORPHMM  
**Metrobank:** (Peso)151-3-041631228; (Dollar)151-2-15100218-2;  
 Swift Code: MBTCPHMM  
**Philippine National Bank:** (Peso) 3752 8350 0034; (Dollar) 3752 8350 0042;  
 Swift Code: PNBMPHMM  
**Unionbank of the Philippines:** (Peso)1015 4000 0201; (Dollar) 1315 4000 0090;  
 Swift Code: UBPHPHMM

7. For groups who prefer to send **donations in kind**, especially medicines, please be reminded of existing customs regulations on the entry of such goods in the Philippines. **As of this update, the DSWD has not lifted its prohibition of donations of used clothing.** Donations in kind may be sent to:
- DSWD National Resource Operations Center, Chapel Road, Pasay City, Telephone Number (+63) 918-930-2356.

8. The following organizations have also initiated their activities for Typhoon Yolanda Disaster Relief. Their contact details are shown below:

- **Red Cross**

Disaster Partnerships Manager  
Emergency and Disaster Response

**+American Red Cross**

**Los Angeles Region**

11355 Ohio Avenue  
Los Angeles, CA 90025  
(310) 445-2672 (Office)  
(310) 445-9961 (Fax)  
(310) 592-0347 (Mobile)  
855-891-7325 (After Hours)

welchbr@arcla.org

www.RedCrossLA.org/emergencyservices

- **ABS-CBN Foundation International's Sagip Kapamilya for Typhoon**

**Yolanda** Emergency Relief:

**There are four ways you can send help:**

**1. Send a check**

Send a check payable to ABS CBN Foundation International, write "Typhoon Yolanda" on the memo section of the check and mail to  
ABS CBN Foundation International  
150 Shoreline Dr  
Redwood City CA 94065

**2. Direct Deposit**

Please deposit your donation to:

Wells Fargo Bank, Redwood City Branch  
Account Name: ABS CBN Foundation International  
Routing Number 121042882  
Account Number 5129562574

**3. Donate online through paypal, credit card or debit card:  
visit [www.abscbnfoundation.org](http://www.abscbnfoundation.org), click on donate button**

**4. Call our toll free US customer service number for more information or to process your donations: 1(800)527-2820** <-- You can call this number from whatever region you are in: North America, Asia, Middle East, Europe, Australia, etc

**For in kind donations, please send directly to:**

Sagip Kapamilya Warehouse  
#13 Examiner St. West Triangle, Quezon City

- **Philippine Disaster Relief Organization (PeDRO)**

our ***Non-Profit, 501 (C) 3*** charity organization, widely known in the community as **PeDRO, Philippine Disaster Relief Organization** was prompted to launch an emergency fundraising effort to assist the people that were affected by this disastrous event. We've instituted the means to handle your tax-deductible donations through our charity website at [WWW.goPeDRO.ORG](http://WWW.goPeDRO.ORG). Please login and click DONATE to submit your maximum contributions. You can also mail

your donations to: Attn: PeDRO

P.O. Box 18521  
Encino, California 91416  
Proceeds will benefit victims and their families.

- **Filipino American Service Group Inc . (FASGI)-drop-off donations**  
FASGI  
135 No. Park View Street, Los Angeles, CA 90026  
Tel. No. (213)-487-9804 ext 203  
Tel. No. (213)483-9804 ext 205  
Email: [fasgi@fasgi.org](mailto:fasgi@fasgi.org)  
FAX: 213-487-9806
- **LINKAPIL call for donations.** The Commission on Filipinos Overseas, through the Lingkod sa Kapwa Pilipino (LINKAPIL) Program is now accepting cash and/or material donations for the victims of Typhoon Yolanda. Donations may be sent via wire transfer, Visa Credit Card payments or through bank deposit to the following account:  
Commission on Filipinos Overseas  
Development Bank of the Philippines  
Dollar Account: 0405 027 536 531  
Peso Account: 0405 027 536 080  
Email: [info@cfo.gov.ph](mailto:info@cfo.gov.ph)
- **Philippine-American Charity Foundation**, a 501 (c) (3) non-profit public charity organization registered in the State of Nevada.  
Check payable to : PACF  
Memo: Typhoon and earthquake victims  
Send to: Philippine American Charity Foundation  
10705 Back Plains Drive  
Las Vegas, Nevada 89134
- **United Nations World Food Program.** This organization says it has allocated \$2 million for the disaster response, and officials joined an assessment mission to survey damage in Leyte and Samar Provinces. WFP says it will send more than 40 tons of high-energy biscuits and work with the Philippine government to help with logistics and emergency communication systems. It asks for donations at [wfpusa.org](http://wfpusa.org) or by texting the word AID to 27722 to donate \$10.
- **UNICEF.** The United Nations Children's Fund says its staff in the Philippines is being repositioned to help in relief efforts, and 66 tons of emergency supplies are being sent from Copenhagen, Denmark. An airlift set to arrive Tuesday will include water purification systems, storage equipment, and sanitation supplies. Donations can be made to UNICEF at [unicef.org/support](http://unicef.org/support).
- **Catholic Relief Services.** This organization is accepting donations on its website, [emergencies.crs.org](http://emergencies.crs.org), as it begins moving supplies and staff to respond to the typhoon.
- **American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee.** This organization has begun collecting donations for relief efforts. To contribute, go to [jdc.org](http://jdc.org) or call (212) 687-6200.
- **World Vision.** This group says it is putting together resources to assist 1.2

million people, including food, hygiene kits, emergency shelter, and protection. It asks for one-time donations to be made at [worldvision.org](http://worldvision.org).

- **Mercy Corps.** This organization says it has launched emergency response efforts to provide food, water, shelter, and other basic supplies to typhoon survivors. To contribute, go to [mercy Corps.org/typhoon](http://mercy Corps.org/typhoon) or call (800) 292-3355.
  - **AmeriCares.** This group is preparing to deploy an emergency response team to the Philippines. To donate, go to [americares.org](http://americares.org) or call (800) 486-4357.
9. For those who **searching for news about their family or friends in affected areas**, the following facilities are available:
- Philippine Red Cross has established Welfare Desks which includes RFL (Restoring Family Links) and Tracing Services. Information is available at this link: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/16aq0AH-OnEE\\_bM53iL5qInqHPZ28IntEXPs-rS01a88/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/16aq0AH-OnEE_bM53iL5qInqHPZ28IntEXPs-rS01a88/viewform)
  - American Red Cross of Los Angeles - To begin a search for missing family members who live in areas affected by the typhoon, please call or send an email to [IntlTracing@arcla.org](mailto:IntlTracing@arcla.org).
  - Family members may also access [www.familylinks.icrc.org](http://www.familylinks.icrc.org) of the International Committee of the Red Cross.
  - The restoring family links program of the ICRC and the local Red Cross chapters involves a range of activities. These include putting people in contact by telephone, internet and hand-written messages.
10. The Consulate also urges the Filipino community to follow **developments on the relief and rehabilitation efforts** of the government through **NDRRMC official website ([www.ndrrmc.gov.ph](http://www.ndrrmc.gov.ph))** and the **Official Gazette of the Philippine Government ([www.gov.ph](http://www.gov.ph))**.
11. To **share information about your efforts either individually or as an organization** to make donations or to organize fund-raising activities or any activity to support the relief efforts for the victims of Typhoon Yolanda, you may send an email to [lapcq.relief@gmail.com](mailto:lapcq.relief@gmail.com). You may also send a message to this email address for queries in relation to missing relatives which will be forwarded to the relevant government agencies for their response.