**DSWD DROMIC Report #1**

**on the Armed Conflict in Ayungon, Negros Oriental**

as of 21 October 2018, 6PM

**SUMMARY**

At around 0335H 18 October 2018, government troops from the 62nd Infantry Battalion killed an alleged CPP-NPA member in an encounter at Sitio Nabali-an, Brgy. Carol-an in the town of Ayungon in Negros Oriental.

According to reports, the firefight lasted for about 40 minutes which also wounded two members from the government and the recovery of two (2) backpacks, two (2) hand-held radios with charger, two (2) magazines of AK-47 with live ammunition, two (2) rifle grenade and subversive documents with high intelligence value.

Commanding Officer of the 62IB said they received and acted upon a report from a concerned citizen on the presence of about fifteen (15) fully-armed members of the terrorist group in the community. While approaching the area, they were fired upon by the terrorist group which prompted them to open fire.

No civilians were hurt in the incident but more than a dozen families fled their homes and took shelter at the barangay hall. Clearing operations by the military in the area is on-going.

Meanwhile, at around 2100H on the same day, two heavy equipments (1 backhoe and 1 road roller) were burned in Brgy. Bolisong in the nearby town of Manjuyod. Initial investigation said that at least 40 armed men believed to be members of the CPP-NPA were spotted nearby. These equipments were used in the on-going road widening project in the area..

1. **Status of Affected Families/ Persons**

**45 families** or **235 persons** were affected by the armed conflict (see Table 1).

***Table 1. Affected Families/ Persons***

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| **REGION / PROVINCE / MUNICIPALITY** | | **NUMBER OF AFFECTED** | | |
| **Barangays** | **Families** | **Persons** |
| **GRAND TOTAL** | | **2** | **45** | **235** |
| REGION VII | | 2 | **45** | **235** |
| Negros Oriental | | 2 | **45** | **235** |
|  | \*Ayungon | *2* | *45* | *235* |

*Source: DSWD-Field Office VII*

*\*Note: Number of affected number of families/persons is subject for validation.*

1. **Status of Displaced Families/Individuals**
2. **Outside Evacuation Center**

**There are no affected families** or **persons** currently staying with relatives or friends

*Source: DSWD-Field Office VII*

# SITUATIONAL REPORT

**DSWD-DRMB**

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| **DATE** | **SITUATIONS / ACTIONS UNDERTAKEN** |
| 19 October 2018 to present | * The Disaster Response Operations Monitoring and Information Center (DROMIC) of the DSWD-DRMB is continuously coordinating with DSWD-FO VII for significant updates. |

**DSWD-FO XII**

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| **DATE** | **SITUATIONS / ACTIONS UNDERTAKEN** |
| 19 October 2018 | * DSWD FO7 has already coordinated with the LGUs through the MSWDOs, alongside with DSWD MAT members for additional information and updates. According to Ayungon MDRRMO, the local social welfare office planned to deliver some relief packs but the military has not given any clearance. Contacting the barangay captain has also been difficult since there is no cellphone * Brgy officials came to the municipal hall and provided updates to the MSWDO/MDRRMO. They returned to the area bringing with them a few relief items such as canned goods and rice from the LGU. |

*Source: DSWD-Field Office VII*

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*The Disaster Response Operations Monitoring and Information Center (DROMIC) of the DSWD-DRMB continues to closely coordinate with the DSWD-FO VII for any significant disaster response updates and assistance provided.*

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