**DSWD DROMIC Terminal Report on the Preparedness for Response on the Observance of Undas 2021**

26 November 2021, 6PM

1. **Situation Overview**

“UNDAS” (also known as Todos los Santos, Araw ng mga Patay, or All Saints' Day) is a holiday honoring the dead and is widely celebrated in the Philippines. Filipino families traditionally visit cemeteries on November 1 or 2, to hold gatherings around the graves of their departed loved ones to lay out flowers, candles and offer prayers. The occasion is often treated as a reunion or banquet, with families bringing food and drinks and camping out all day or even overnight. It is an official, state-recognized holiday, so people get leave from school or work on these days. This occasion usually leads to the increased volume of people on the roads, cemeteries, sacred grounds, and other related areas around the country.

“UNDAS” is traditionally celebrated on the first and second day of November. This year, November 1 (All Saint’s Day) and November 2 (All Souls’ Day) will fall on Monday and Tuesday respectively.

The usual observance of “UNDAS” has changed during the COVID-19 pandemic in accordance to the public protocols and guidelines provided in the Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of Community Quarantine. This was reiterated by Presidential Spokersperson Harry Roque during a press briefing on 25 October 2021 reminding the public that the protocols and guidelines which were adopted last year will still be followed for “UNDAS” 2021.

*Source: Wikipilipinas.org and PCOO*

1. **Situational Reports**

**DSWD-FO I**

| **DATE** | **ACTIVITIES** |
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| **05 November 2021** | * DSWD-FO i submitted their **terminal report.** |
| 29 October 2021 | * DSWD-FO I is in close coordination with the Regional Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council 1. Likewise, Provincial Operations Offices are in close coordination with the different Provincial/City/Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Councils and Provincial/City/Municipality Social Welfare and Development Offices to monitor and gather reports and updates regarding any eventualities that may occur. * The Disaster Response Management Division (DRMD) staff and the Social Welfare and Development Team Leaders are on standby. Likewise, the Field Office ensures availability and readiness of resources. |

**DSWD-FO II**

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| **DATE** | **ACTIVITIES** |
| **15 November 2021** | * DSWD-FO II submitted their **terminal report.** |
| 29 October 2021 | * DSWD FO-II ensured that the Regional DMRT, SWADTs, P/C/MATs are ON-CALL/STANDBY status and advised to coordinate with the Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Councils (LDRRMCs)/ Local Social Welfare and Development Officers (LSWDOs) if there are concerns needed to be addressed by the Field Office (FO) during the observance of UNDAS 2021. * DSWD FO-II ensured the availability of Food and Non-Food Items (FNIs); |

**DSWD-FO CALABARZON**

| **DATE** | **ACTIVITIES** |
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| **03 November 2021** | * DSWD-FO CALABARZON submitted their **terminal report.** |
| 29 October 2021 | * DSWD FO-CALABARZON attended meetings with different agencies on the response cluster relative to the adherence of health and safety protocols in the observance of “UNDAS” 2021. * DSWD FO-CALABARZON Emergency Operations Center remains on heightened alert status to monitor the situation relative to the observance of “UNDAS”. |

**DSWD-FO MIMAROPA**

| **DATE** | **ACTIVITIES** |
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| **05 November 2021** | * DSWD-FO MIMAROPA submitted their **terminal report.** |
| 29 October 2021 | * DSWD FO-MIMAROPA ensure SWADT Offices are alerted to monitor daily local weather conditions, related eventualities, bulletins, warnings, and other advisories issued by the DOST-PAGASA, DENR-MGB, and other surveillance agencies. * DSWD FO-MIMAROPA ensure provision of information to all concerned offices, divisions, sections, and units and on-call status of the expanded R/P/C/M QRTs together with special projects staff on a 24/7 basis possible activation of Virtual and Regional Emergency Operation Center and augmentation to respond in case any untoward incident and eventualities are reported. * DSWD FO-MIMAROPA is in close coordination with the Office of Civil Defense (OCD) and RDRRMC MIMAROPA for any updates for monitoring purposes and response mechanism for areas that will be affected. * Standby logistical equipment and workforce through coordination with SWADT Offices and concerned LGUs on the management of stranded passengers, if any, in ports and terminals. * DSWD FO-MIMAROPA ensures that there is an on-call truck/s and disaster vehicle/s available for delivery of goods and possible deployment of Regional staff for augmentation support to areas that will be affected. * Information and Communication Technology Management Unit (ICTMU) is on standby status to ensure a robust communication system. |

**DSWD-FO VI**

| **DATE** | **ACTIVITIES** |
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| **26 November 2021** | * DSWD-FO VI submitted their **terminal report.** |
| 26 October 2021 | * DSWD FO-VI coordinated with the LGUs and of other agencies, and also deployed staff to ensure the strict implementation of minimum public health and safety protocols in the observance of “UNDAS” 2021. * DSWD FO-VI continues to monitor and disseminate real time weather reports and/or updates thru their official Facebook page. |

**DSWD-FO CAR**

| **DATE** | **ACTIVITIES** |
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| **02 November 2021** | * DSWD-FO CAR submitted their **terminal report.** |
| 01 November 2021 | * DSWD FO-CAR personnel rendered duty to monitor areas of responsibility relative to the observance of “UNDAS” 2021. * DSWD FO-CAR coordinated with PAT Offices and focal persons relative to the observance of “UNDAS” 2021. * DSWD FO-CAR crafted, consolidated, and submitted reports to end-users |

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*This terminal report is based on the final report submitted by DSWD-FO I (05 November 2021), DSWD-FO II (15 November 2021), DSWD-FOCALABARZON (03 November 2021), DSWD-FO MIMAROPA (05 November 2021), DSWD-FO VI (26 November 2021) and DSWD-FO CAR (02 November 2021). The Disaster Response Operations Monitoring and Information Center (DROMIC) of DSWD-DRMB is closely coordinating with the concerned DSWD-FOs for any request of Technical Assistance and Resource Augmentation (TARA).*

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